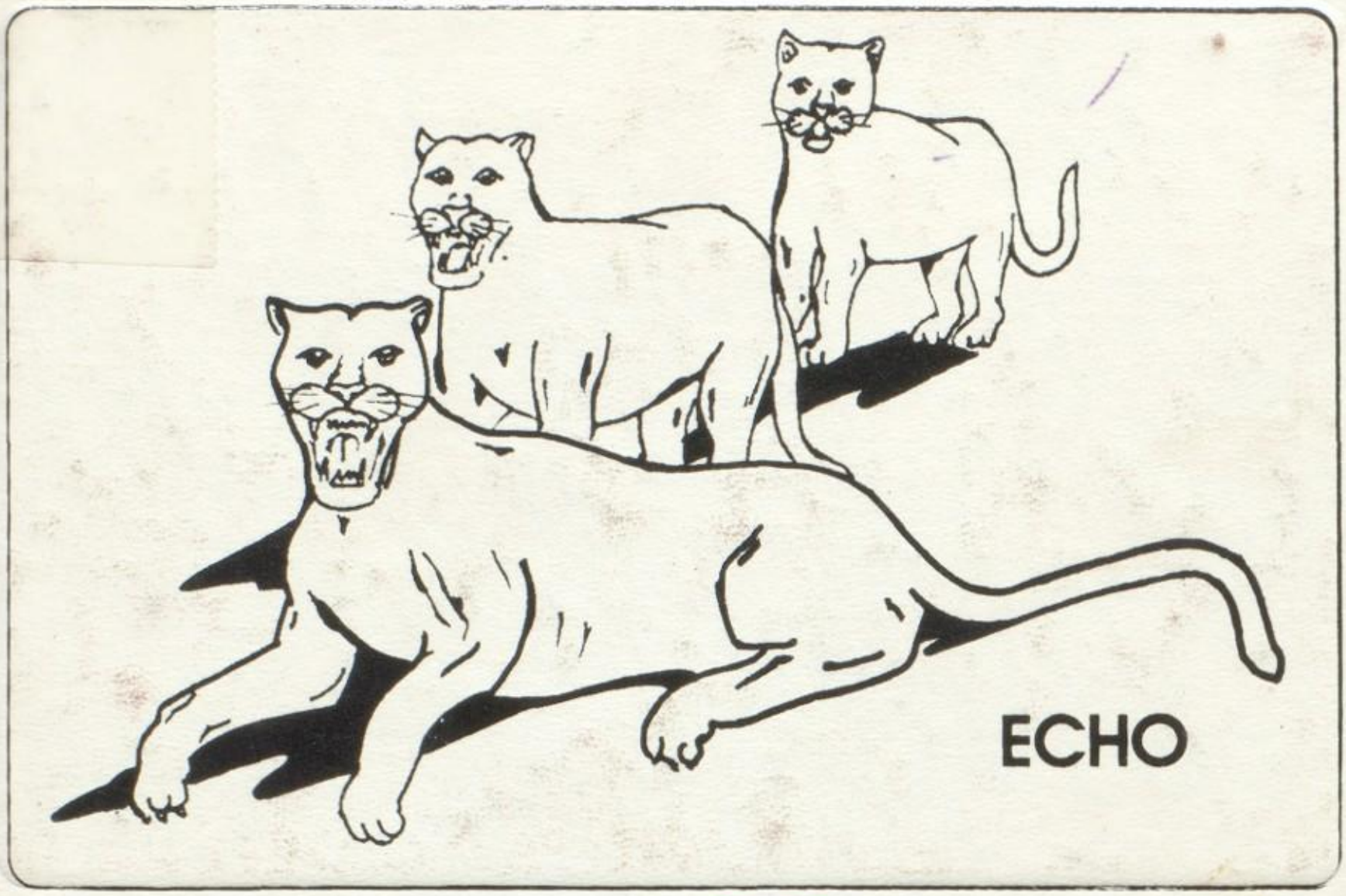

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a little bit of growth . . .

"A little bit of growth" was the school's operant phrase. In terms of academics, school enrollment and community involvement, small steps forward were the rule rather than giant leaps of progress.

The world of academics experienced one of the largest expansions as a few new courses — business law, salesmanship, machine drafting and industrial drafting — were added to the curriculum, and the scheduling process in the guidance office was computerized. The computerization especially affected students as schedules and grade cards acquired a whole new look.

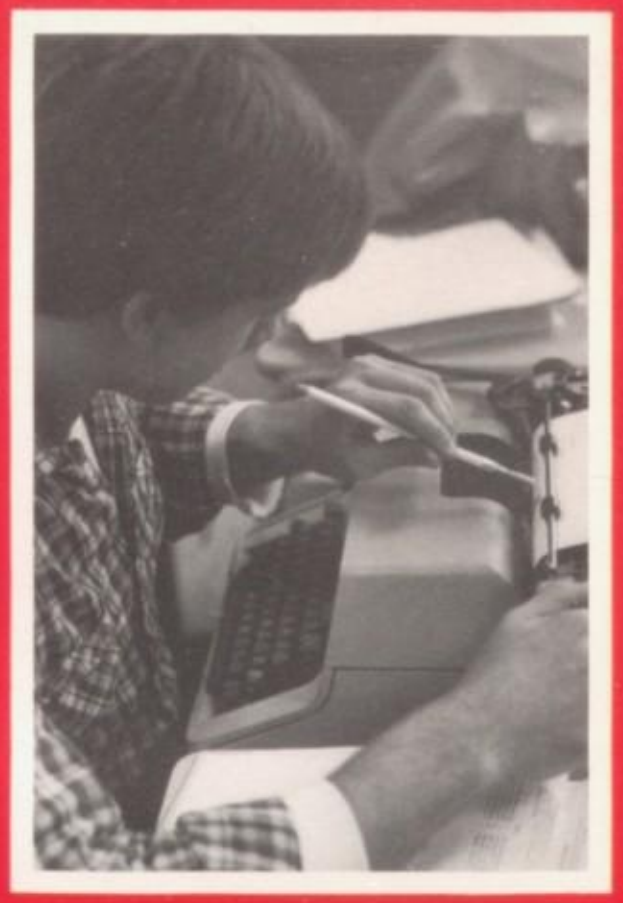
Most students noticed the slightly increased enrollment during the first few weeks of school. A shortage of desks and textbooks and the chance to make new friends were the main offshoots of the increase.

Another important area of growth occurred in the area of community involvement. Many students found time to become active in activities away from the school, such as Junior Achievement, Explorers, Girl and Boy Scouts, church groups and sports teams. The opening of Abracadabra's, a combination video arcade-/dance floor, also allowed students to spend time with friends away from school and to meet other teenagers from Howard County.

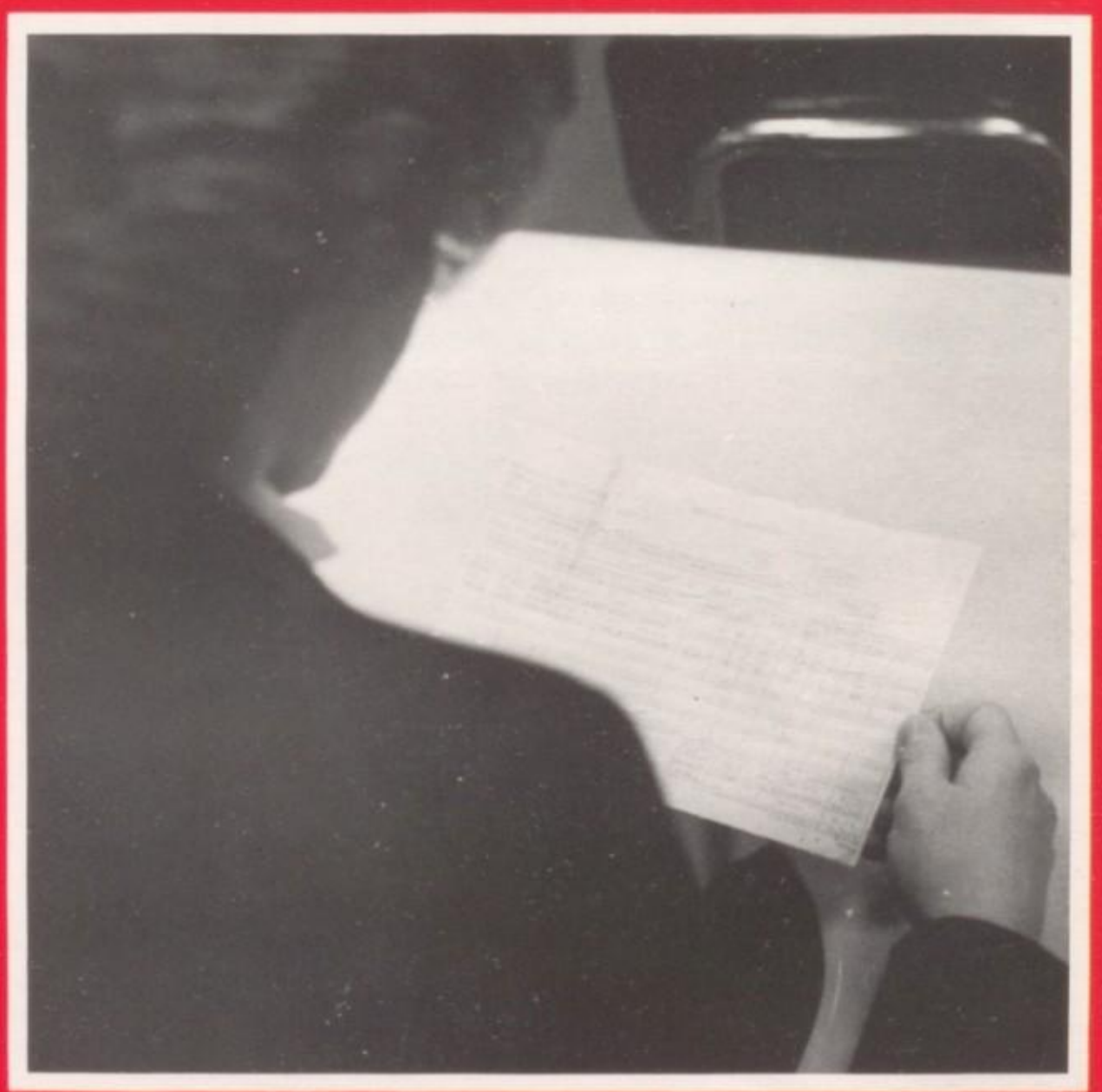
Expansions in these areas, though small, laid the foundation for bigger changes in future years, made Western and Howard County better places to be, and caused 1983 to be known as the year of "a little bit of growth."

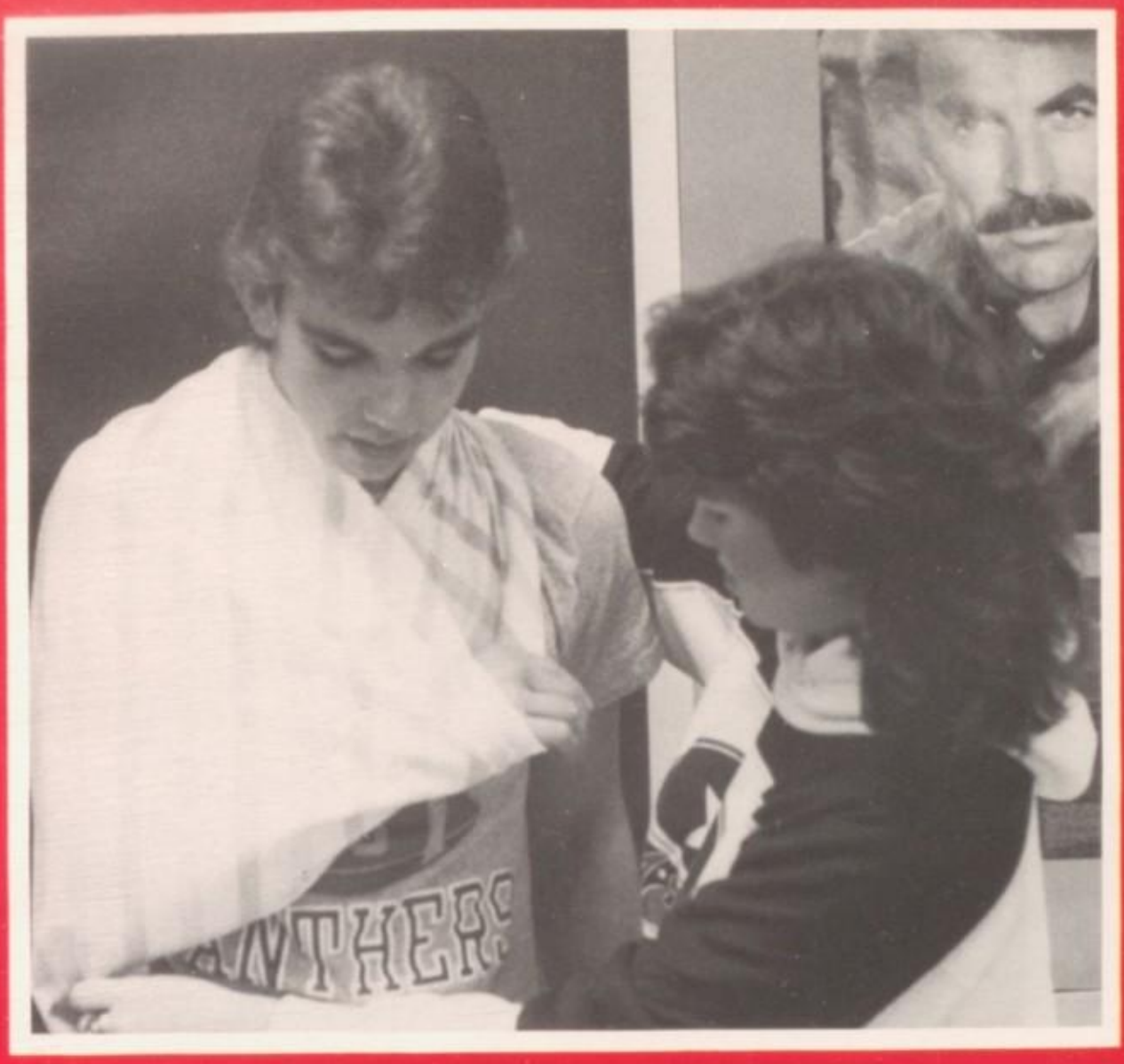
Kim Rivers

DURING PERSONAL TYPING, Sophomore Tom Harshman quickly perfects his assignment.



WITH THE DEBUT OF THE USE OF COMPUTERS to record grades, students immediately saw the effects with the changing of the old grade cards to the new computer printouts.





IN MRS. BURKHARDT'S HEALTH CLASS, sophomores Scott Long and Debbie Schweitzer illustrate emergency situation techniques for bandaging an injured arm.

BUSY AT WORK, Sophomore Mike Land sells his Junior Achievement products in a display booth in the Markland Mall as a prospective customer approaches.

Facilities, sports, band headline a banner year

Expanding and reaching out for the pinnacle of success are both a part of growing. These phases were very much a part of the year for the outdoor facilities, sports teams and marching band.

Expansion was the operating word for outdoor facilities as a new all-weather track, pressbox, concession stand and black-topped practice field were added to the school setting. These additions, when annexed to the barely-broken-in gymnasium, provided Western with one of the best athletic complexes in the county.

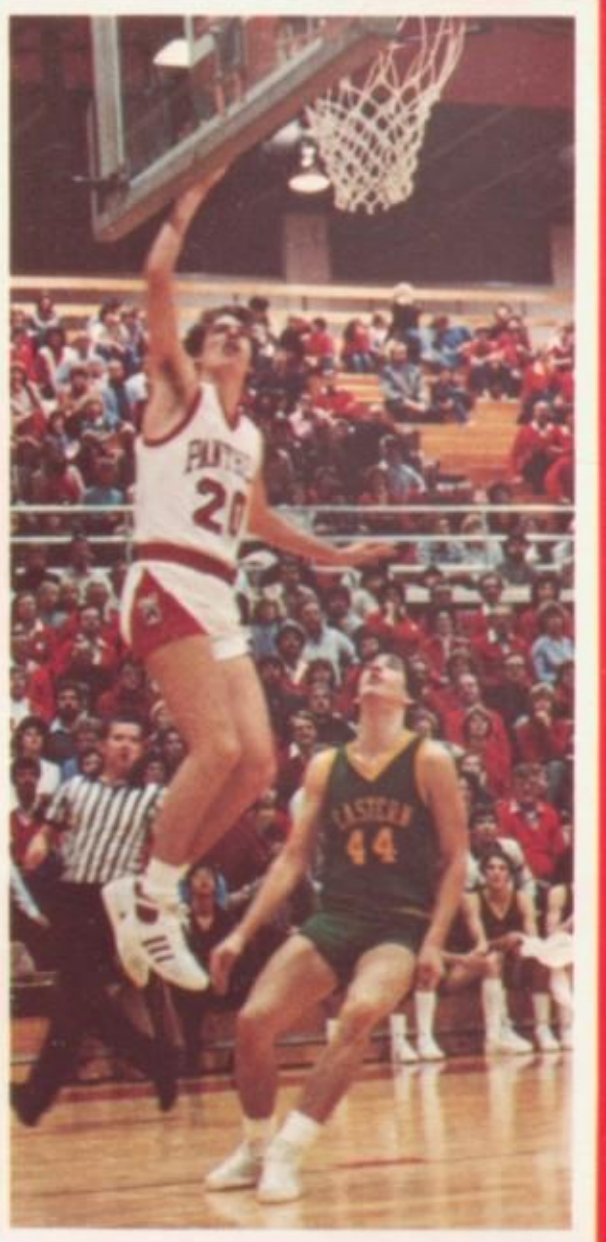
Reaching out for success was the goal for all of Western's activities. However, some organizations, such as the boys' basketball team which racked up one of its best seasons in years, came closer than others in attaining that goal. Then, of course, there were two organizations — the football team and the marching band — that made years of hard work and dedication pay off in dream-come-true situations. For the first time in Western's history, the football team won a berth in the playoffs. And though the Panther Pack lost to a tough McCutcheon team in the first round, watching that mud-spattered team finally competing in the playoffs invoked such a feeling of pride that a victory could have added little more to the evening.

Another success story occurred when the marching band captured the State Marching Band Championship for class "C." Long after all the other spectators had left ISU's stadium, Western Band fans were left in tearful jubilation in the middle of the asto-turfed field. This win started the momentum that finally sent the band to Johnson City, Tennessee, to in the MBA Grand Nationals.

Activities and expansions such as these helped the school to grow and improve over the year, making 1983 the year of "a little bit of growth."

Kim Rivers

IN THE MIDST OF AN EAGERLY ANTICIPATED VICTORY over long-time county rival Eastern, Senior Tri-Captain Chip Brunt springs easily for the backboard and racks up another key lay-up as his out-maneuvered Comet opponents watch in disappointment.



GLISTENING IN THE SUNSHINE, the new facilities-press box, all-weather track, stadium lights and concession stand — lie in quiet anticipation of the next sporting event.

SENIOR DRUM MAJOR MARCIA READ, surrounded by a crowd of rowdy band parents, reaches for the class "C" championship trophy in a moment of tearful jubilation.

AS PLAYERS BATTLE TOP-RANKED AND UNBEATEN MCCUTCHEON, the coaches and reserve players offer some needed encouragement in Western's first-ever play-off berth.

a little bit of **daily growth**

Going to school meant more to most students than simply getting an education. Although homework, tests and compositions played a major part in each student's life, other activities managed to work their way into the daily routine.

Part of that routine included attending annual events such as the spring play, the Prom and the Winter Concert-events which providied a release from hours of homework and study. These extra-curricular activities allowed students to interact with each other as well as have a good time. Thus each day of school brought lessons in both the areas of academics and in interpersonal relations, providing students with "a little bit of 'daily' growth."

Kim Rivers

AFTER A STRENUOUS PERFORMANCE at the Haworth Invitational, Sophomore Sharon TeRonde grabs an apple and puts up her horn before rushing off to view the competition.

SENIOR DAMON FEIGHTNER and Sophomore Kelly Amos demonstrate their spirit as they rally students for the industrial arts pep session with a new kind of megaphone.

DURING THE FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP POWDERPUFF GAME, held during the "Almost Anything Goes" pep session, the Cotton Sophs and Junior Delinquents battle for the title.

LAB WORK, as well as book work, makes up a major part of student life, a point which Junior Lori Weir demonstrates as she displays her ability in chemistry.

IN EARLY AUTUMN, members of the cross country team take a long-anticipated initiation run on the new eight-lane, all-weather track that was installed last summer.

Powderpuff playoffs cap off wild week

For the space of one week each school year, students are allowed to let their imaginations run wild. In a week where "almost anything goes" from the dress-up days to the outdoor pep session, the entire school shows its spirit as it celebrates Homecoming.

The week opened with the traditional dress-up days. Each day the atmosphere of the school changed as Roman citizens, nurses, construction workers, female football players and lost cowboys took turns parading down the halls.

Those same female football players got a chance to demonstrate their skills on Wednesday night at the powderpuff games. It was a night for even the calmest of fans to get excited when, after a 12-6 win by the sophomores over the freshmen, the juniors and seniors found themselves in a 20-20 tie at the end of four quarters. The juniors finally emerged victorious by moving the ball the most yards past the fifty in overtime play.

Senior powderpuff player Kelly Knoll expressed her feelings about the game, "I feel the final score was too close to be decisive. The game felt unfinished. If the score was in numbers on the scoreboard, maybe there wouldn't have been so much controversy."

Junior Lynda Gerhart said, "Both teams played really well. I'd say we were pretty evenly matched."

During halftime, Senior Mike Bell was crowned Powderpuff King to reign over his court of seniors Chip Brunt, Ron Newbold, Randy Smith and Mike Williams.

The grand finale of Homecoming week arrived Friday afternoon at the "Almost Anything Goes" pep session. For the first time ever, a play-off powderpuff game was held between the winners from Wednesday night. Once more the juniors emerged victorious. In addition to the powderpuff win, the juniors also captured the title in the class competition held after the play-off. These games included the new marshmallow stuffing game and old standards such as the tug-o-war and the obstacle course. Because of the new all-weather track, the Volkswagon and tricycle races had to be cancelled. Also at the pep session, Senior Bob Bogue was named Mr. Football.

Jenny Maenpa, Student Council president, commented, "There was excellent participation for the dress-up days and games in the pep session."

Kim Rivers

IN CLASS COMPETITION, juniors Jeff Newlin, Todd Holder, Darin Ashcraft and Jeff Tuchscherer struggle to pull their class into first place during the Tug-o-war.

SENIOR RON NEWBOLD stuffs himself with marshmallows at the annual Homecoming pep session. This is the first year that the marshmallow eating contest was added to the list of Homecoming festivities, and Junior Alan Stroud wins the contest by stuffing thirteen marshmallows, beating out Sophomore Todd Hunt and Freshman Brian Switzer.

DURING THE FIRST POWDERPUFF PLAYOFF between the sophomores and juniors, Becky Murchison, junior, runs for the touchdown but realizes her flag has been pulled.

SOPHOMORES DAVE TROYER and Tim Fenimore ended the water balloon toss with a "big splash" and a tie with the Junior Delinquents as eighth grader Tricia Weeks looks on.

GIVING THEIR PERFORMANCE as the "New Wave Beatles" on Career Day, Seniors Steve Scott, Bob Bogue, Ron Geyer, Cliff Blunt and Mike Stout show their school spirit.

Panthers battle weather, Huskies in Homecoming

It may have been wet and it may have been chilly, but the Panthers were determined not to let a little bad weather spoil "Homecoming 1982."

It didn't take long for the extravaganza that goes along with Homecoming to begin. For after a spectacular opening fireworks performance by the band, it was time for Jake Stout and company to make their presence known.

In fact, the first time that Stout got his hands on the ball he raced 63 yards to get Western its first score. Everything seemed to be in order for Homecoming.

Then came the rain. Out came the umbrella's and it appeared that it was going to upset the halftime festivities.

But this was to be the night of Sherri Milburn. And despite the persistent rain, Milburn was crowned Homecoming Queen. The queen's court consisted of seniors Karna Anderson, April Brown, Kim Hill and Julie Swartz.

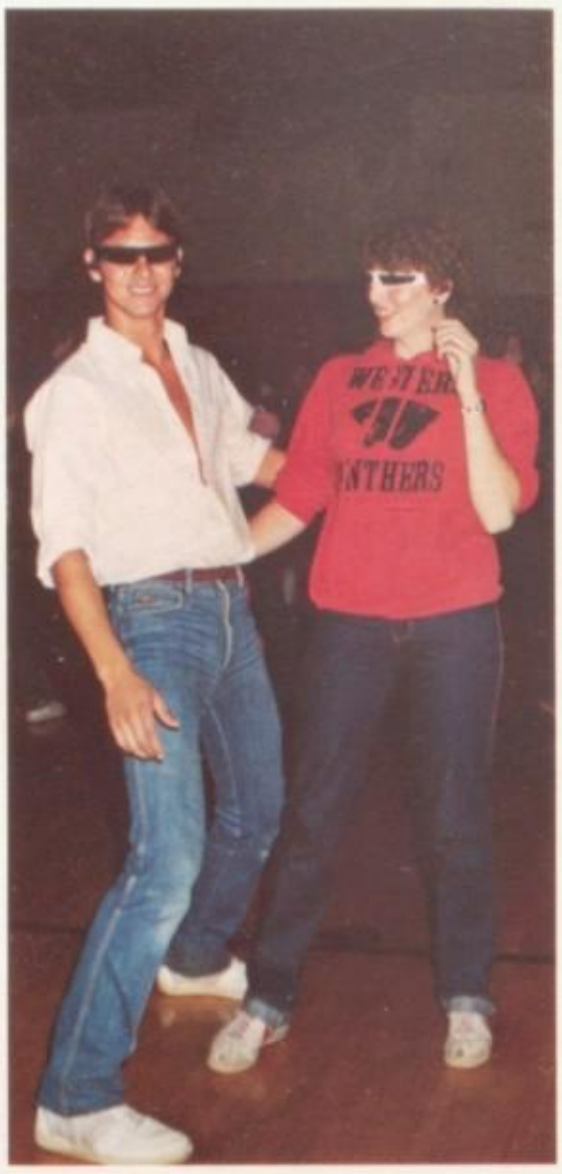
Following the royal ceremonies and an arousing band show, Coach Plummer brought his Panther troops back out to finish off his alma mater, Hamilton Heights.

When the mud had settled and the rain had ceased, the Panthers had walked away with a 27-10 victory and their second consecutive Homecoming win.

The evening ended with Powderpuff King Mike Bell and Queen Sherri Milburn sharing the spotlight dance to the tune of "Believe it or not" at the traditional Victory Dance sponsored by FHA.

Curt Cavin

AT THE HOMECOMING VICTORY DANCE, Junior Shelly Church and Randy Landis, Haworth junior, demonstrate their new wave dance steps to "We Got the Beat."



DESPITE THE RAINY WEATHER, Homecoming festivities progress as planned with Senior Sherri Milburn being crowned queen during the halftime activites. Her court, protected from the persistent rains by a ceiling of umbrellas held by freshmen escorts, consists of seniors Julie Swartz, Kim Hill, April Brown and Karna Anderson.

SENIOR WESTERNETTE LORI THOMAS dances to the school song during the pre-game show.

ANXIOUS TO BEGIN the Homecoming game against Hamilton Heights, Senior Jake Stout bursts through the traditional hoop on his way to a victory with a score of 27-10.

FOR SENIORS Mike Bell and Sherri Milburn, being crowned Powderpuff King and Homecoming Queen was only part of the excitement of the 27-10 win over Hamilton Heights.

WHILE THE BAND PLAYS the National Anthem, the Westernettes salute the colorguard.

AT THE HOMECOMING GAME, Junior Jeff Jones smothers his Hamilton Heights opponent.

Orem, Harvey capture awards in Junior Miss

Every little girl dreams of being a queen in a beauty pageant. Even not-so-little girls find it to be a worthwhile goal. But when funds for college are added to that aspiration as in the Junior Miss program sponsored by the Kokomo Jaycees, a host of other girls find it to be their goal, too.

The pageant experienced more than just a little bit of growth as over 40 girls participated in contrast to only 23 last year. For the first time, the program was stretched out over two nights. One the first night, half performed in the Talent competition and the other half took part in the Poise and Appearance and Youth Fitness competitions. On the second night, the two groups switched.

The girls spent hours preparing for the "Big Night." Senior Suzette Moyer said, "We had to go to three practices the week before the pageant and six the week of the pageant, including all day Labor Day and all day the Saturday of the program."

When the judges had cast their votes and the decisions were made, two Western girls found themselves winners. Senior Melanie Orem was named second runner-up, and Senior Marcy Harvey was named first runner-up to the Scholastic award. Linda McKean, Senior from Northwestern, was named Howard County Junior Miss.

Fifteen girls from Western, more than twice the number from any other area school, pursued the elusive title of Junior Miss during the fall program. These senior girls were Monica Boruff, April Brown, Bev Carson, Toni Dellinger, Kim Fivecoate, Marcy Harvey, Tracey Hutchison, Kelly Knoll, Susan Lindsey, Lisa Maugans, Suzette Moyer, Melanie Orem, Sabrina Street, Julie Swartz and Lori Thomas.

Each of the girls in the pageant said the experience was worth the hard work and the amount of time involved. Kelly Knoll said, "I would encourage all juniors to participate next year. You get many close friends, and the atmosphere is so intense it's hard to leave."

Kim Rivers

ILLUSTRATING HER CREATIVITY, imagination and dance skills in the talent portion of the competition, Senior Melanie Orem performs her originally composed dance routine to the Broadway smash hit "New York, New York" in a costume of her own design.

AS THE FINAL MOMENT NEARS, Junior Miss contestants smile and hold hands nervously.

SENIOR TRACEY HUTCHISON shows "Poise and Appearance" in evening gown competition.

WHILE PAINTING HER SELF-PORTRAIT, Senior Monica Boruff recites a poem she wrote. At the same time, the audience veiws other art work at the foot of the stage.

DRESSED AS A RAG-TAG "ANNIE", Senior Julie Swartz preforms a dance routine of her own invention to the tune "It's a Hard Knock Life" during the talent competition.

AN ECSTATIC MELANIE OREM, Senior, placing second runner-up, accepts her plaque and bouquet of flowers with a tearful embrace from the 1982 Junior Miss Barbara Lamb.

Music concerts are Hanscom's finale

By presenting two of its annual programs, "Fun in the Fall" and the Winter Concert, the music department brought music and song to liven-up the fall winter seasons.

"This was by far the smoothest and the most enjoyable program that we've ever put on," claimed Mrs. Sally Hanscom, director, following her final "Fun in the Fall."

For 14 years, Mrs. Hanscom has been the director of this program. Due to her retirement at the end of the year, though, this was her last such program.

"I know that her retirement was the reason that we worked so hard to make this performance perfect. We all knew what it meant to her, so we gave it our best for her," commented Senior Ron Geyer.

Following tradition, the program took place in the middle school gymnasium with Robed Choir President Bob Boque and Vice President Mike Stout serving as the masters of ceremony.

After a heart-stirring opener, the Robed Choir gave way to the Girls Glee Club, Vocal I, and the seventh and eighth grade Choir for their contributions to what perhaps turned out to be the finest "Fun in the Fall" yet.

The show also included two soloists and one duet. Senior Lorna Harbaugh and Junior Evelyn Luecke were the soloists while Boque and Stout combined for the duet.

The only minor change in the program concerned the group of selected juniors and seniors previously known as "Voce de Western." Basically, only two things were altered. The first, and most obvious, was the renaming of the group to "The Westernaires." The other had to do with changing the concept of the group. "It was changed from a concert type choir to more of a swing choir," stated Mrs. Hanscom.

After successfully completing its fall program, the choral department combined with the instrumental department to present an evening of good cheer at the annual Winter Concert performed in Havens Auditorium at IUK.

Beginning with the traditional candlelight processional and singing of "Alleluia" by the Robed Choir, the first half of the program was given to the choral section — The Robed Choir, Glee Club and Westernaires. Traditional carols such as "Adeste Fieles" and more modern tunes such as "We Need a Little Christmas" seemed to make the holiday season a festival of color and sound.

Junior Betsy Hossom, Robed Choir member, said, "On the whole, the concert went fairly well. I enjoyed doing the whole concert, but I liked the procession the best."

After intermission, the concert band took over for its part of the performance. Strains of the popular "Hooked on Classics" as well as several Christmas pieces filled the auditorium. Members of Westernettes also took part as they performed a chair dance to the band's "Perdido."

Highlighting the evening was the combined effort of the band and choir in a climactic performance of the "Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah."

Mr. Larry Neuhauser, band director, expressed his opinion of the concert. "There are so many parts to enjoy — the choir, band, Westernettes, and the combination of band and choir. It's exciting for me to hear the concert band in performance for the first time each year, especially since the concert is held in the auditorium."

Curt Cavin/Kim Rivers

THE DAY BEFORE THE ANNUAL WINTER CONCERT, the Westernettes perform their chair routine while the band members play to the tune of "Perdido" in the middle school gym.

AS THE WINTER CONCERT COMES TO A CLOSE, Mr. Neuhauser and Mrs. Hanscom, making her final Winter Concert appearance, direct the Concert Band and the Robed Choir.

AS A PART OF THE ANNUAL PRE-WINTER CONCERT FESTIVITIES, several members of the clarinet section of the Concert Band add their parts to the band's sparkling tune.

FOUR MEMBERS OF THE WESTERNAIRES, complete with a new name, perform at "Fun in the Fall." Besides the name change, the group moved to a more casual look in dress.

Classes select favorites

Categories	Seniors	Juniors
Favorite Movie	E.T.	E.T.
Favorite Actor	Burt Reynolds	Burt Reynolds
Favorite Actress	Goldie Hawn	Goldie Hawn
Favorite TV Show	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H
Favorite TV Actor	Alan Alda	Tom Selleck
Favorite TV Actress	Stephanie Powers	Stephanie Powers
Favorite Soap Opera	General Hospital	General Hospital
Favorite Commercial	Lite Beer	Coke
Favorite Cartoon	Bugs Bunny	Smurfs
Favorite Video Game	PAC-MAN	PAC-MAN
Favorite Song	Lionel Ritchie's "Truly"	Lionel Ritchie's "Truly"
Favorite Album	Billy Squire's "Emotion In Motion"	Men At Work's "Business As Usual"
Favorite Male Artist	Lionel Ritchie	John Cougar
Favorite Female Artist	Pat Benatar	Pat Benatar
Favorite Group	Journey	Loverboy
Favorite Radio Station	Q-95	Q-95
Favorite Pizza Place	Pizza Hut	Pizza Hut
Favorite Car	Camaro	Camaro
Least Favorite Movie	Creep Show	E.T.
Least Favorite TV Show	Square Pegs	Dukes of Hazzard
Least Favorite Commercial	Cathy Rigby	Cathy Rigby
Least Favorite Video Game	PAC-MAN	PAC-MAN

Sophomores	Freshmen	Eighth Graders
Tootsie	Tootsie	E.T.
Dustin Hoffman	Burt Reynolds	Burt Reynolds
Goldie Hawn	Jane Fonda	Goldie Hawn
M*A*S*H	Square Pegs	Knight Rider
Tom Selleck	Tom Selleck	Tom Selleck
Stephanie Powers	Stephanie Powers	Nell Carter
General Hospital	General Hospital	General Hospital
Lite Beer	Coke	Coke
Smurfs	Smurfs	Smurfs
PAC-MAN	DONKEY KONG	FROGGER
Lionel Ritchie's "Truly"	Men At Work's "Down Under"	Men At Work's "Down Under"
Journey's "Escape"	Men At Work's "Business As Usual"	Men At Work's "Business As Usual"
Billy Squire	John Cougar	Rick Springfield
Pat Benatar	Pat Benatar	Pat Benatar
Stray Cats	Men At Work	Men At Work
Q-95	Q-95	Z-93
Pizza Hut	Pizza Hut	Pizza Hut
Camaro	Trans Am	Trans Am
E.T.	E.T.	E.T.
M*A*S*H	Dukes of Hazzard	Dukes of Hazzard
Stayfree	Stayfree	Stayfree
PAC-MAN	PAC-MAN	PAC-MAN

PERFORMING WITH POISE, Sophomore Debbie Schweitzer, Westernette, skillfully executes a stick routine for "Santa Esmeralda" at State Marching Band Preliminary Contest.

WHILE PERFORMING at the State contest in Terre Haute, Flag Corps members Kelly Grant and Lori Farlow, sophomores, do a flag toss during the last song of the show.

KEEPING THE BEAT for the rest of the band during "Summer Song," the closing number of the show, members of the percussion section perform with military precision.

Band wins State title, travels to MBA

"It was a dream come true. State champion had always seemed so far from our reach, especially since last year was our first year in finals at State," said Terri Banjak, senior band member.

It was a year of dreams come true for the Marching Panthers as they performed their way through an undefeated season, captured the State Marching Band Championship in class C, and traveled to Johnson City, Tennessee, to compete in the Marching Bands of America Grand National Championship.

The first part of the season was exciting enough to make most band fans happy. Besides winning first place in every competition, the band was named Grand Champion of the Kokomo Tournament of Bands and the Concord Marching Band Spectacular. Band members, Westernettes and Flag Corps also won numerous caption awards including Best Auxiliary, Best Drum Major, Best General Effect, Best Marching, Best Music, Best Percussion and Best Winds.

Then, in late October, the marching band made its way to Terre Haute where, after making the final five in its class for the second year in a row, it completed the four-year climb from twenty-second place in class B to first place in class C.

Band director Mr. Larry Neuhauser said there were several reasons for the band's successful season including its "high expectations and uncompromising standards which were approached with a positive mental attitude."

Whatever the reasons for its success, the band found itself drawing on all its resources to face its biggest challenge ever, the Marching Bands of America Grand National Championship, which occurred a scant two weeks after the State competition. During those two weeks, the band staff and band parent organization made all the plans necessary for the overnight, school-sponsored trip. Those plans included making arrangements for traveling, sleeping and eating as well as raising the funds necessary to finance the trip. Many band members could be found standing on street corners at that time, hoping to collect donations.

Senior Karen Schumacher, a Flag Corps Captain, expressed the general consensus of the band by saying, "We had to pull together quickly and work hard to go to MBA. The response to our efforts was terrific."

Finally, with the money earned and an arduous 14-hour trip out of the way, the band arrived on the campus of Eastern Tennessee State University to perform. Even though the band did not make finals, it did place fourth in its class and fifteenth among all 39 bands. Most band members agreed that they gained more than just another honor by going to the competition. Senior Marty Lewis, drum major, summed it up by saying, "The National competition was one of the best experiences I've had in my life. People were there from all over the country, and MBA brought all of the truly great bands together in friendship."

Kim Rivers

DURING THE FINALS at the Concord Invitational, Senior Drum Major Marcia Read salutes the crowd after an energetic performance of the opening song, "Santa Esmerelda."

SENIOR BILL MILLER, as dad, tells his children, Heather Miller, freshman, and Junior Tim Malone, to become more concerned with school work rather than playing checkers.

SENIOR BILL MILLER, as dad, tells his children they are to listen to French and German lessons on the two new victrolas as they get ready for school.

SENIOR TERRI BANJAK, as Anne Gilbreth, tells Larry, Freshman Jon Donahue, that she has many things much more important to do rather than going to the senior prom.

ANNE GILBRETH, portrayed by Senior Terri Banjak, shows the lastest women's fashions. Anne tells her father and family she is going to wear teddys, the new style. With Annes' announcement of her new taste, the Gilbreth family is properly shocked.

Young actors add new talent to play

What would it be like having a family containing 12 children, including a father who wants to provide a life better than any other and a sister who just wants to be like everyone else?

This situation was portrayed by the drama department in "Cheaper by the Dozen" under the direction of Mr. Steve Cole with the help of his student director Junior Becky Pecen.

Although it was revealed by Earnestine and Frank, the narrators, that their father was dying, this poignant family situation was displayed with a touch of history and sentiment, along with bickering and laughter between family members.

The underclassmen were helped by the more experienced senior actors. Senior Bill Miller commented, "At first, the seniors led the practices since we had the most experience. But as practices continued, the underclassmen gained more confidence. In fact, they are a very talented group." Miller portrayed the strict father, Frank Gilbreth; Terri Banjak was the oldest daughter, Anne Gilbreth; and Matt Johnson was Dr. Burton.

Other cast members and their characters were Becky Pecen, Mother; Heather Miller, Earnestine Gilbreth; Mike Malone, Fred Gilbreth; Tim Malone, Frank Gilbreth Jr; Erin Pasquale, Martha Gilbreth; Jon Donahue, Larry; Jon Horton, Joe Scales; Dave Boyd, Bill Gilbreth; Lynda Gerhardt, Miss Brill; Trisha Cline, Mrs. Fitzgerald; Michelle Davis, Lillian Gilbreth; Dawn Harrison, Jackie Gilbreth; and Brian Smith, Dan Gilbreth.

Senior Terri Banjak commented on the cast, "I have really enjoyed working in the play for the past four years, but this year's cast seemed much more like a family."

Marcia Read

TIM MALONE, as Frank Jr., and Heather Miller, as Earnestine, listen to jazz music. While dad, portrayed by Senior Bill Miller, shows his disapproval of their actions by explaining that language studies are much more important than the latest music.

AFTER ENJOYING THE DINNER PORTION OF THE PROM, couples enjoy dancing to the romantic music of the "Counterpoints" at the new setting of the dance — the Country Club.

AMID A MYRIAD OF TWIRLING COUPLES, juniors Jerelyn Fortune and Tim O'Neal find a moment to enjoy a romantic interlude, oblivious to any outside disturbances.

MEMBERS OF THE PROM PRINCE AND PRINCESS COURTS are juniors Lori Weir, Darrin O'Neal, Cathy Perry, Jeff Newlin, Kelly Hargraves, Mark Love, Tawni Culbertson, Mike Love, Dawn Coomer, Brian Hopwood.

MEMBERS OF THE PROM KING AND QUEEN COURTS are seniors Julie Swartz, Mike Williams, Sherri Milburn, Ron Newbold, Jenny Maenpa, Chip Brunt, Kim Hill, Mike Bell, April Brown, Dave Alley.

New setting makes Prom more romantic, convenient

Perhaps the most glamourous evening of the year, the Junior-Senior Prom has always provided one of the major highlights of most students' high school days.

But in recent years, the Prom seemed to have one particular drawback — the atmosphere. "There's something about having a few streamers and some crepe paper hung throughout the cafeteria that just doesn't appeal to me. It makes it hard to distinguish the Prom from any other day at school," commented Senior John Boehm.

So with this in mind, the junior class and Prom committee set out to improve the dance.

"We as juniors wanted to do something to the Prom to make it extra special for the seniors. Moving the site of the Prom to the Kokomo Country Club was a change that we thought everyone would like. And I think they did," explained junior class president Jeff Newlin.

Along with a little more romantic atmosphere, the Kokomo Country Club also provided a buffet dinner which allowed couples to dine without having to drive out of town.

Following dinner, the couples danced to the tunes of the Counterpoints. "Up Where We Belong" was chosen as the theme and pink and purple served as the official colors.

Senior Sherri Milburn reigned as Queen, and Chip Brunt was crowned King. The Queen's court consisted of April Brown, Kim Hill, Jenny Maenpa and Julie Swartz. Brunt's court included Dave Alley, Mike Bell, Ron Newbold and Mike Williams.

Junior Cathy Perry served as the Princess along with her court, including Dawn Coomer, Tawni Culbertson, Kelly Hargraves and Lori Weir. Darrin O'Neal was crowned Prince along with his court, consisting of Brian Hopwood, Mark Love, Mike Love and Jeff Newlin.

The changes in the dance, along with the inherent excitement of the evening, made the Prom a memorable and romantic event for each couple who attended.

Curt Cavin

SENIOR ANDREA DAMON and her date Jim Seivert spend a romantic moment together.

SMILING IN APPRECIATION, Senior Marcy Harvey receives her trophy for being valedictorian from Mr. Walter, principal. Harvey was one of only four students to gain a GPA over 11.00.

AS SENIOR LISA MAUGANS RETURNS TO HER SEAT, Sherri Milburn, senior, receives one of two FCA scholarships based on contributions, financial need and other criteria from Mr. Taylor, sponsor. Milburn also received several other athletic scholarships including the Girls W-Club and the Adult Booster Club scholarships during the program.

PRESENTING A LOVELY BOUQUET OF FLOWERS IN HONOR OF MRS. HANSCOM'S RETIREMENT, Senior Bob Bogue, president of Robed Choir, receives a hug from his choral sponsor.

DURING THE PORTION OF HONORS DAY DEVOTED TO COMMUNITY AND COLLEGE SPONSORED AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS, Guidance Director Mr. Pearson awards Purdue University Academic Recognition Certificates to seniors Marcia Read, Karen Schumacher, Linda Longfellow, Marcy Harvey, Joe Hamilton, Ron Geyer and Tina Colwell.

RECEIVING ONE OF THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS ATHLETIC AWARDS AN ATHLETE CAN ACHIEVE, Senior Brian Weeks accepts one of only two athletic blankets awarded to boys from Mr. Wolf.

RESPLENDENT IN A VISOR FLANKED WITH SPARKLING LIGHTS, Mr. Cole presents his annual "Full of Bull" award. Featured among the prizes is an autographed picture of Big Ben.

Seniors rewarded for accomplishments

After three long years of watching other senior classes receiving awards, the class of 1983 finally got its chance on May 18 at the traditional Honors Day ceremony.

Departmental and special recognition awards as well as scholarships from clubs and outside organizations were presented to seniors and a few exceptional underclassmen.

Academic honors were awarded to Don Yoder and John Boehm, agriculture; Bill White, Jane Daugherty and Tina McGaha, art; Beth Aldrich, accounting; Melanie Bowlin, typing; Dawn Garner, secretarial skills; Diane Hutson, home economics; Mike Bell, Dan Arnett, and Matt Thomas, industrial arts; Kim Rivers, journalism; Lisa Maugans, Marcy Harvey, Kim Rivers and Karen Schumacher, English; Sherri Milburn, Kim Rivers and Karen Schumacher, math; Ann Kelly, John Phillips Sousa Award; Bob Bogue, Most Outstanding Choral Member; Linda Longfellow, Ron Geyer and Terri Banjak, science; Karen Schumacher, Brenda Manship and Kim Rivers, social studies.

In addition, Marcy Harvey and Kim Rivers were named as valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively.

Several clubs also presented awards and scholarships to their most outstanding members. Every senior athlete who majored received a plaque. Also, athletic blankets were given to five seniors — Chip Brunt, Lisa Grimme, Lorna Harbaugh, Sherri Milburn and Brian Weeks — who accumulated ten majors over the course of their four years.

Near the middle of the two hour event, Mr. Steve Cole, presented his annual "Full of Bull" award to co-recipients Curt Johnson and Jeff Lake. Among their many prizes were autographed pictures of Big Ben, sunglasses and visors decked out with flashing lights.

After all the awards had been presented, Senior Class President Ron Newbold displayed the senior class gift of two school flags, one to fly beneath the American flag on the front flagpole and one to be kept indoors.

Honors Day gave recognition to those students who had worked so hard in scholastic and extracurricular activities all during high school. Each senior, whether he won an award or not, could be proud to be part of a class which accomplished much in four years and which graduated with the highest grade point average in the school's history.

Kim Rivers

Class selects its favorite members

Bill Miller
Most Likely to Succeed

Karen Schumacher
Most Likely to Succeed
Well Mannered
Most Studious

Bob Bogue
Most Talented

Terri Banjak
Most Talented

Bill White
Friendliest

Jenny Maenpa
Friendliest
Most Spirited

Mike Williams
Well Mannered

Mike Bell
Class Clown

Dawn Gaines
Class Clown

Chip Brunt
Cutest
Most Athletic
Best All Around

Kim Hill
Cutest

Jeff Lake
Best Dressed

Jill Vostatek
Best Dressed

Joe Short
Shyest

Anita Cowan
Shyest

Sherri Milburn
Most Athletic
Best All Around

Chris Leach
Best Build

Kim Fivecoate
Best Build

Curt Cavin
Most Studious

Pat Lennon
Most Radical

Karen Key
Most Radical

Blake Rollins
Most Spirited

Matt Thomas
Most Unforgettable

Monica Rockey
Most Unforgettable

Ron Newbold
Worst Driver
Spaciest

Becky Lahee
Worst Driver

Kim Brown
Spaciest

Robin Helton
Biggest Flirt

Ann Kelly
Most Likely
to become famous

Lance Rice
Best Eyes

April Brown
Best Eyes

Randy Smith
Cutest Couple

Donna Cole
Cutest Couple

Julie Swartz
Most Truant

Myron Wright
Most Truant

Not Pictured:
Jake Stout
Biggest Flirt
Most Likely
to Become Famous

Graduation marks start of adult responsibilities

Blending familiar traditions with the never ending excitement of the unexperienced, Commencement came to the seniors, bringing the end of carefree days and the beginning of a new adult life.

The final ceremony took place on Friday, May 20, in the high school gymnasium. After the seniors had marched in to the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance," faculty, students and guests were greeted by Senior Class President Ron Newbold. Salutatorian Kim Rivers reminisced about the high school years of the seniors while Valedictorian Marcy Harvey discussed the ways in which a successful life could be achieved. Rev. Joe Wick was the Commencement speaker. Another highlight of the evening was the last performance of the senior Robed Choir members, who sang "Starmaker."

Mr. Gerard Walter, principal, assisted by Lisa Maugans and Karen Schumacher, presented the honor plaques to those seniors with cumulative grade point averages of an A- or better. Twenty-two seniors, more than in any other graduating class, received the award. They were Beth Aldrich, Marsha Aldridge, Terri Banjak, Bev Carson, Tina Colwell, Curt Cavin, Ron Geyer, Joe Hamilton, Marcy Harvey, Kelly Knoll, Linda Longfellow, Jenny Maenpa, Brenda Manship, Lisa Maugans, Sherri Milburn, Bill Miller, Suzette Moyer, Melanie Orem, Marcia Read, Kim Rivers, Karen Schumacher and Don Yoder.

After the plaque recipients had been recognized, Mrs. Julia Berry and Mr. Dennis Pogue, class sponsors, presented the senior class. Mr. Walter, Mr. Ken Dieselberg, school board president, and Dr. Lindan Hill, superintendent, gave out the diplomas.

The final moment of the ceremony came when Newbold led the class in the traditional "turning of the tassel."

Marching out to the lobby as the Concert Band played the recessional, the new graduates realized that a completely new life awaited each of them, a life that Western had prepared them to meet with fortitude and excitement.

Kim Rivers

OPENING THE GRADUATION CEREMONY, Class President Ron Newbold finishes his stint in office as he gives the welcoming address to the assembled audience.

GIVING THEIR FINAL PERFORMANCE in Concert Band, the robed senior members of band intersperse with the underclassmen in a concert given before the ceremony.

LEADING THE GRADUATING CLASS into the gym are class sponsors Mr. Dennis Pogue and Mrs. Julia Berry followed by Valedictorian Marcy Harvey and Salutatorian Kim Rivers.

AFTER THE SYMBOLIC "TURNING OF THE TASSEL," a process led by the class president, the new graduates await their cue to march out to the lobby to the Concert Band's Recessional.

SENIOR MARCIA READ, a So-Fro Fabrics employee, measures a cord for a customer.

PERFORMING ONE OF HIS MANY JOBS AT ABRACADABRA'S in the Maple Crest Shopping Center, Senior Curt Cavin removes the tokens from the stand-up Donkey Kong video machine.

Active students fill part-time jobs

There are moments in the school year when it seems as if there is no time to take a break and relax. After sitting through classes from 9:00 in the morning until 3:30 in the afternoon, most students are ready to get away from it all and enjoy themselves.

But several students, particularly seniors, have committed themselves to tackling part-time jobs following the completion of their daily school routine. Thus a decrease in the available hours of free time has forced these "working students" to organize their schedules in order to meet the demands and responsibilities that have been laid before them.

Senior Marcia Read admits that often times it becomes difficult to complete both her homework and her job. "Sometimes when things get pretty hectic, I wonder whether I'll ever get everything done. But you know that you have to, so you do," explained the So-Fro Fabrics employee.

Occasionally, a heavy work schedule gets in the way of completing the individual's homework and that's when the grades begin to falter.

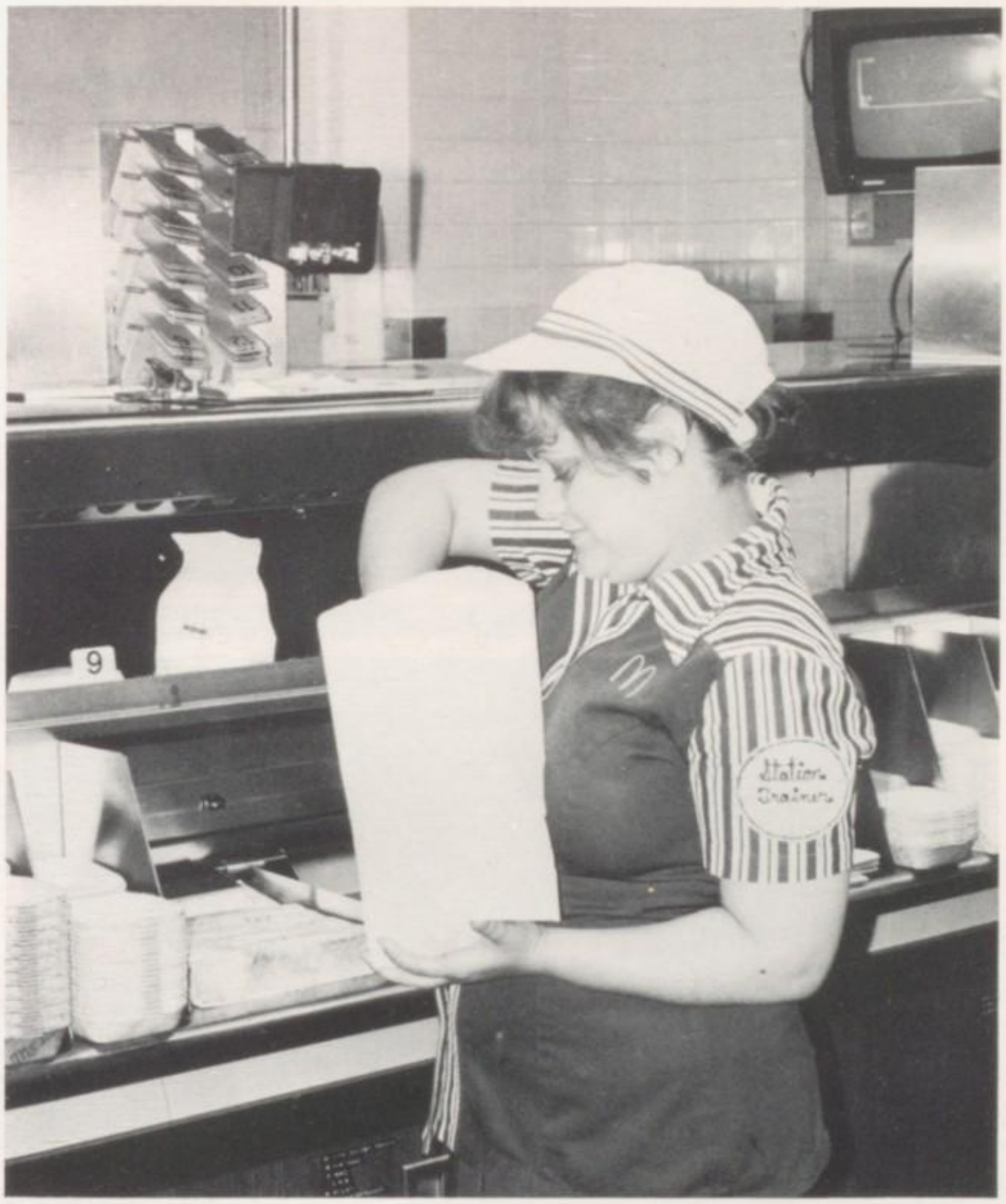
"When I started at Burger King, I was afraid that that might happen. But really, my grades went up a little bit. I guess I concentrated more because I knew that I didn't have as much time to study," commented Junior Tim Malone.

But holding down a part-time job during high school can provide one particular advantage.

"By having a job, it gives me some spending money and every little bit that I can put back will help toward paying for college next fall," added Senior Hill's Department Store employee John Boehm.

Despite the continuous effort to handle a part-time job, as well as attending high school simultaneously, most of the students found the time spent both rewarding and beneficial.

Curt Cavin



CLEANING UP AFTER WORK, Senior Chris Leach sweeps around the counter at Ponderosa.

AS A STATION TRAINER AT THE MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT on West Sycamore Road, Senior Suzette Moyer sacks an order of Big Mac's and cheeseburgers behind the counter.

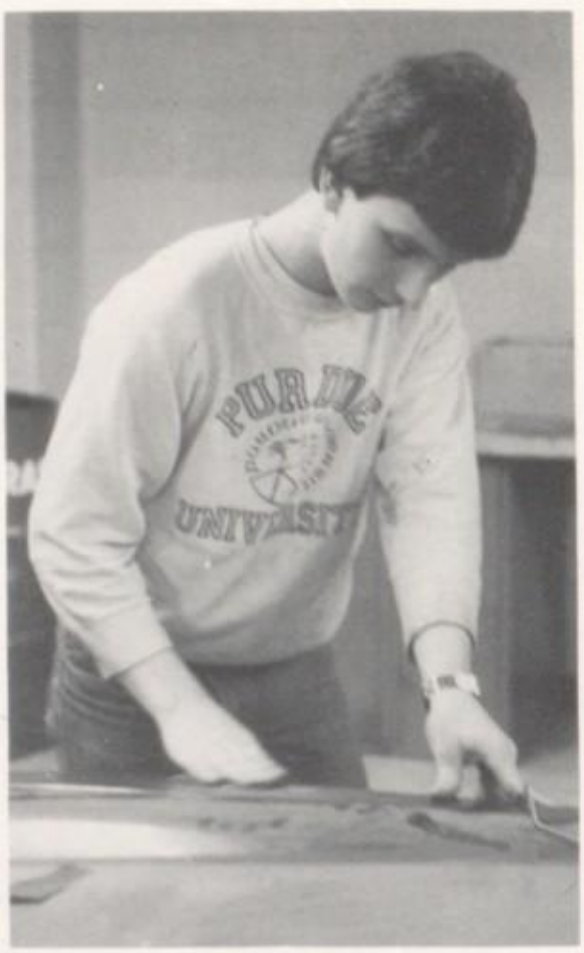
a little bit of **intellectual growth**

As the scheduling process in the Guidance Office was computerized, the academic side of school life made its presence felt by hitting students where they could feel it — right in the grade card. Schedules and grade point averages were also affected by the change, as computerized printouts kept students up-to-date on alterations.

Other changes occurred in the business and industrial arts departments. Two new one semester courses — business law and salesmanship — were added to the business curriculum, and two one semester architectural courses — architectural drafting and machine drafting — were expanded to a full year in the industrial arts area.

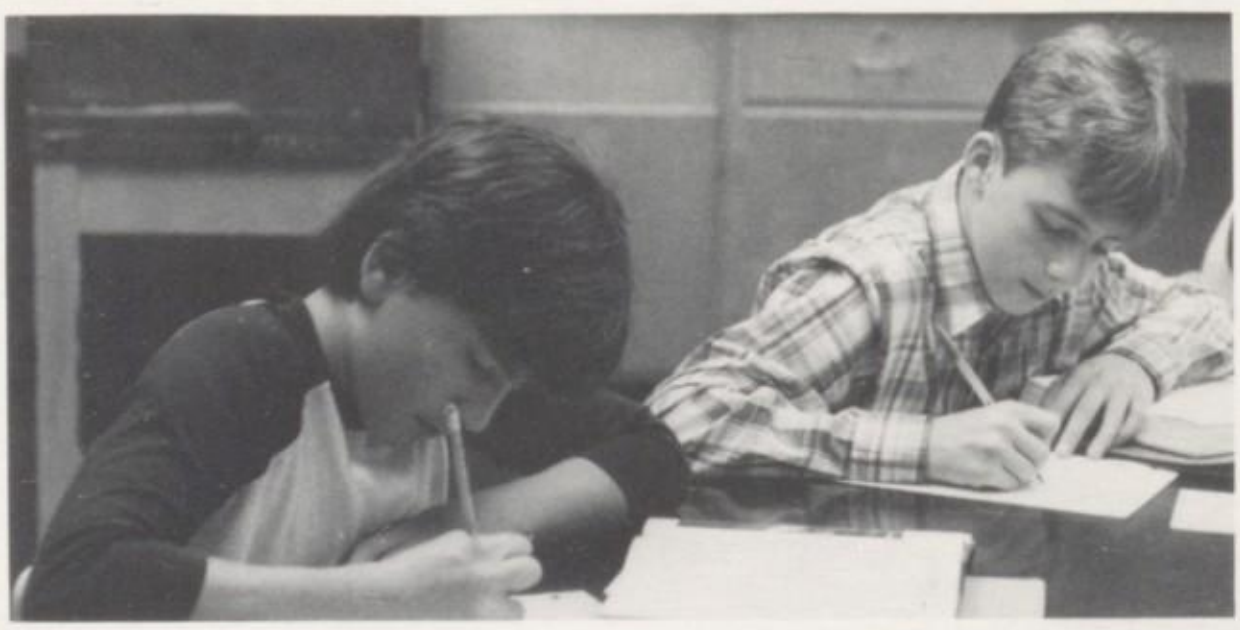
Even though they were small, these changes made the academic side of school grow; consequently they provided students with expanded facilities and curriculum and enabled them to experience "a little bit of intellectual growth."

Kim Rivers



LEARNING HOW TO TAKE CARE OF A CAR requires a little muscle as Junior Pat Hayes demonstrates as he finishes up working on a car in Mr. Keisling's Power and Transmission class.

PLANNING FOR THE DAY when she will enter the working world, Senior Stacy Hamock works diligently as she checks some figures on her adding machine in accounting.



TAKING NOTES IN MR. BEYMER'S SCIENCE CLASS, eighth graders Barry Holiday and Tom Hodson direct their concentration on the chapter dealing with chemical reactions.

SENIOR MANDY MOORE adds to the careful strokes of a pencil drawing that won a Gold Key finalist at the Scholastic Art Show and was entered in the nationalcompetition.

LEARNING TO USE TOOLS is a major objective of the industrial arts classes. Junior Ron Hemming demonstrates the technique of using the knotcher on a project.

Advanced students broaden knowledge

Study. That was the word most students felt was appropriate to describe the accelerated English and Math classes. These courses were set up to advance students' knowledge in the areas of English and math and to possibly help students who planned to further their education after high school.

In addition to the accelerated English and math courses offered, junior and senior students had an opportunity to take a "Bridge to College" class from Indiana University-Kokomo (IU-K).

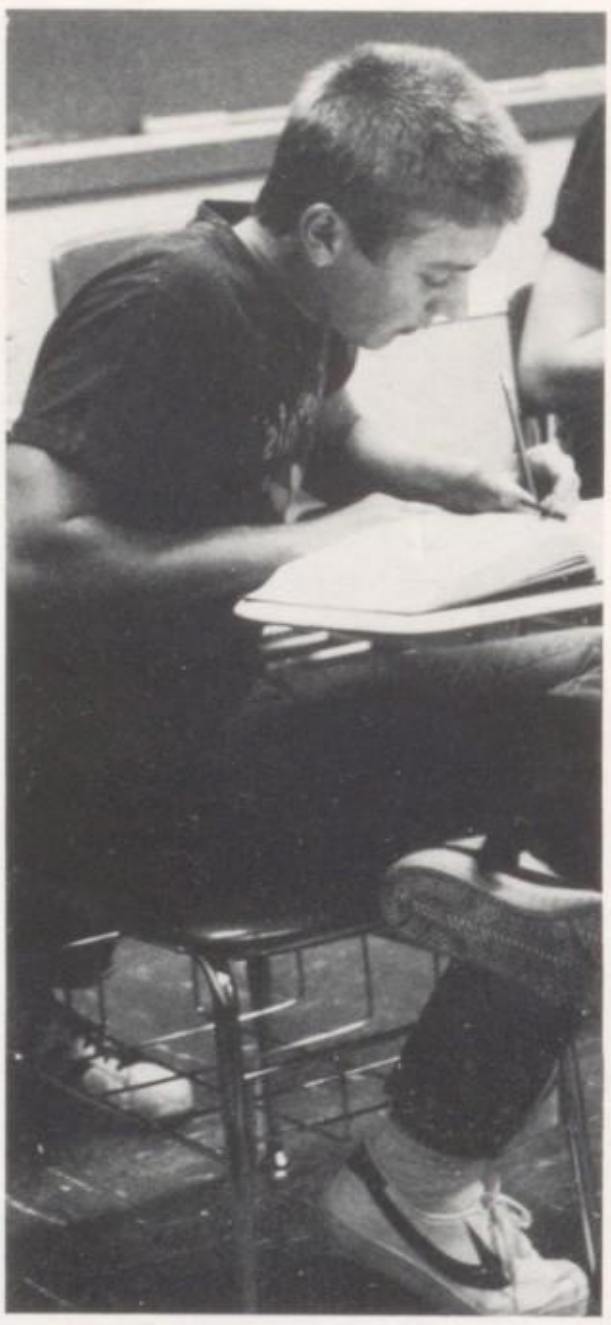
Taking a college course while still in high school seemed difficult, but Senior Mike Williams said, "I decided to take an English composition class from IU-K now, so I could have a broader idea of what college is like."

The advanced courses in English also helped prepare students for college courses. Mrs. Joyce Burkhardt, head of the English department, commented, "I feel the honors program is definitely beneficial because it teaches the students additional materials that they will need for college." Along with the advanced materials covered in the classroom, the students participated in a field trip to the Indianapolis Reperitory Theater. Junior Robin Ratcliff said, "The trip to the theater was really great. We got to see the play "A Christmas Carole," and it was very interesting."

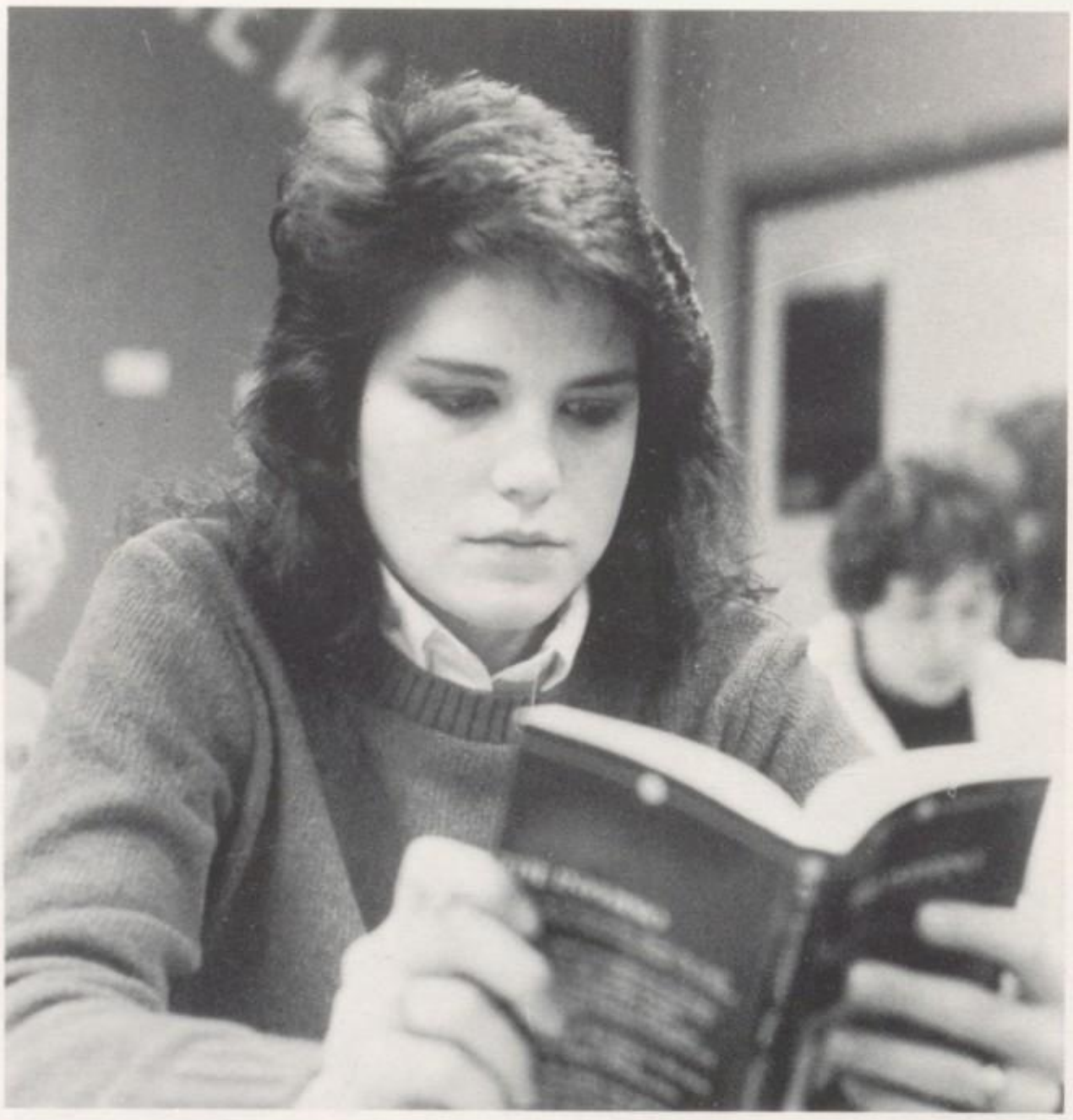
Along with English, math was also an accelerated area. Mr. Joe Reel, head of the math department, said, "Everyone should have at least three years of high school math because it teaches the students a method of thinking, and it prepares them for college along with English."

Taking both accelerated English and math was beneficial for the college bound student. Marcia Read, senior, commented, "Because of the adequately prepared advanced material covered in the English and math accelerated classes, I am properly prepared for college."

Sherri Colby



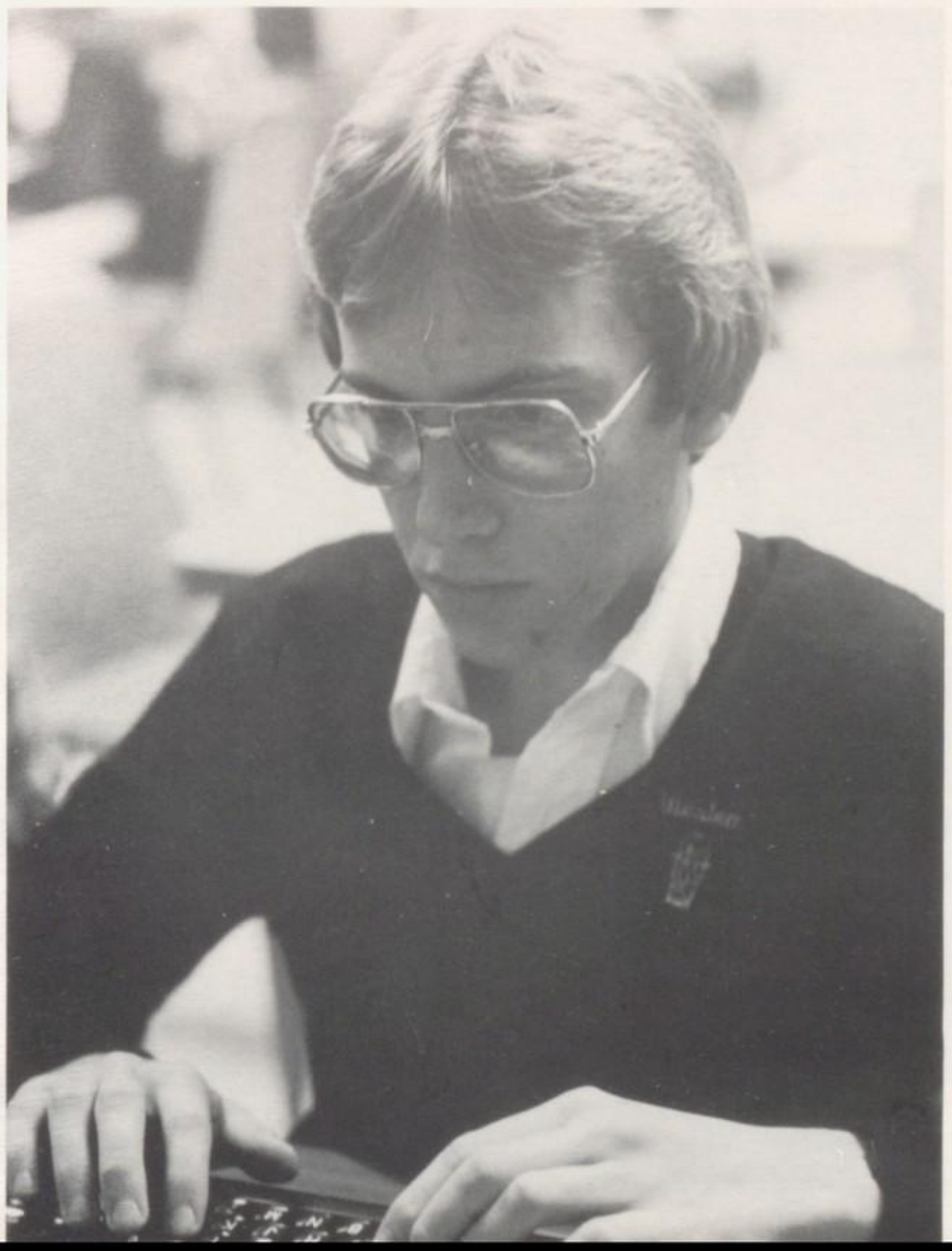
SOPHOMORE JEFF GLICK uses his math skills to solve a problem in geometry class.



SENIOR MELANIE OREM intensely studies the different levels of Dante's Inferno as she reads another chapter of the Divine Comedy in Mrs. Maxwell's Senior English class.

DURING THE IU-K FRESHMAN COMPOSITION CLASS, Sherri Colby, senior, listens intently to Professor John Rudy as he explains how to develop a persuasive composition.

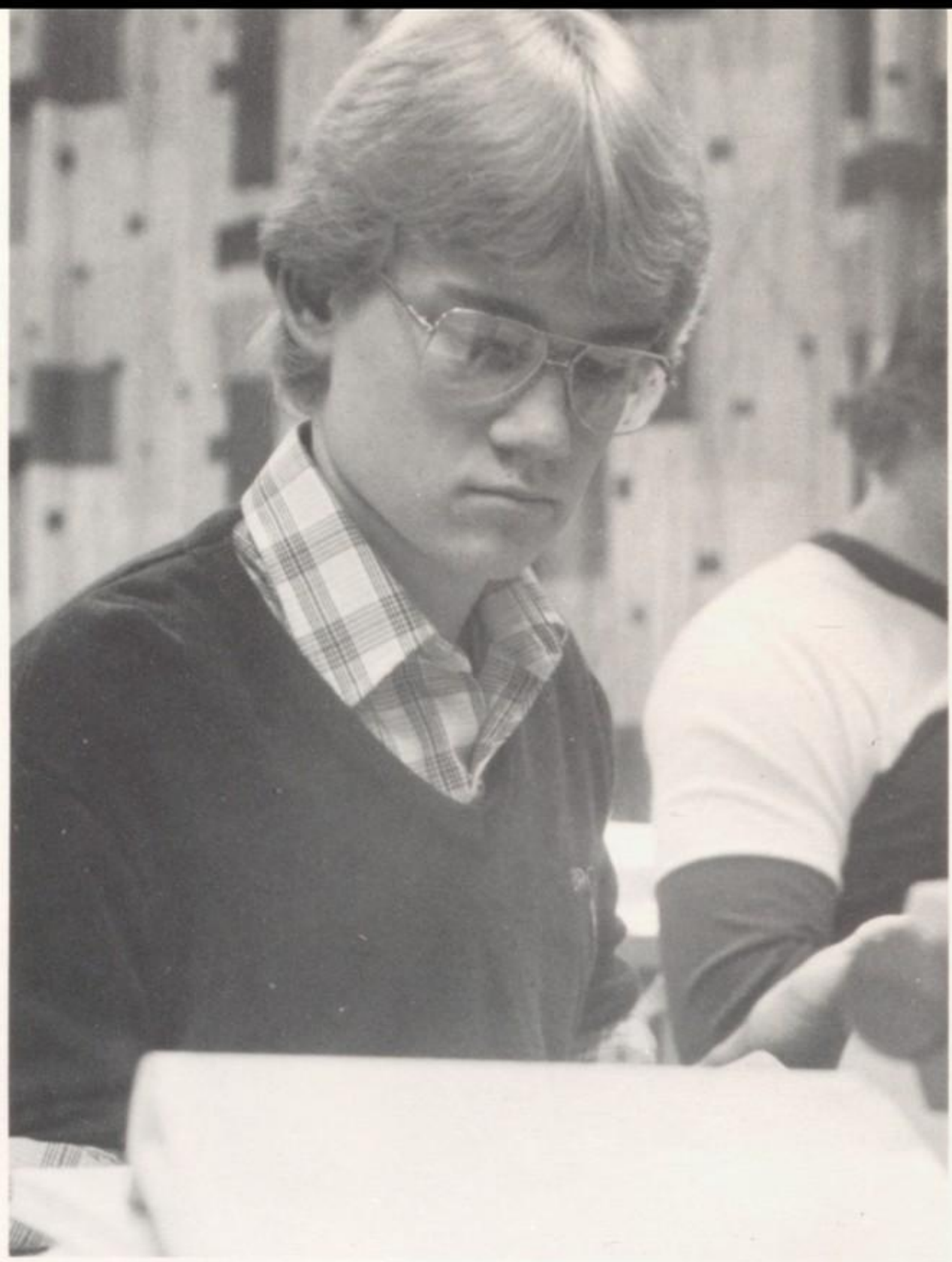
DRESSED AS A VALENTINE, Senior Jill Vostatek acts out her part in the Valentine's Day play presented by the Public Speaking class to the primary building students.



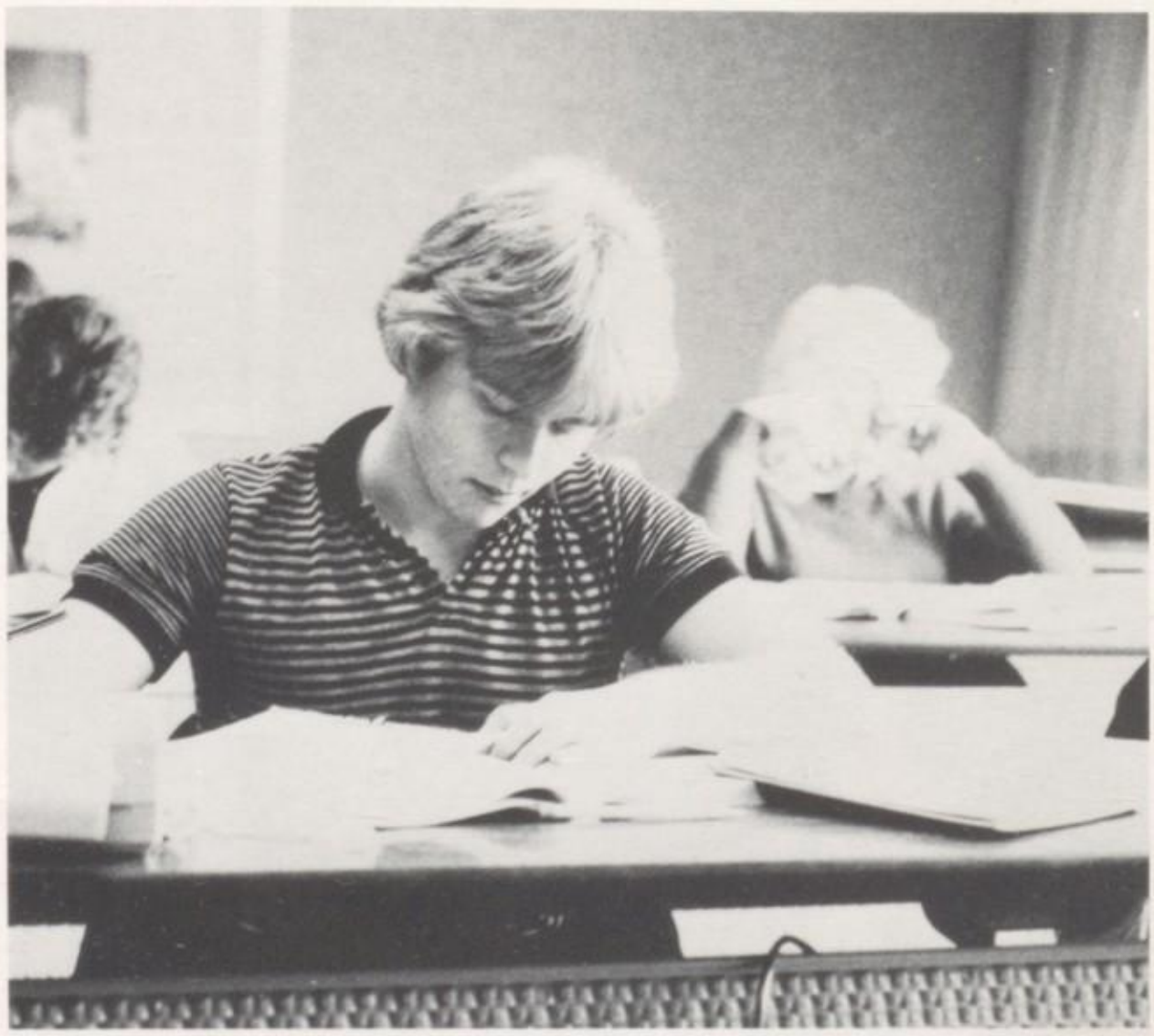
CHRIS PERRY, junior, develops his skills on the keyboard as he works diligently on a computer program for the difficult but challenging class of Computer Math.

SENIOR KIRK McANINCH, keeping his eyes intently on the copy in his book, strives for speed and accuracy as he types a lesson in Mrs. Patty's first year typing class.

JEFF HENDERSHOT, sophomore, prepares to take down the notes from the board about the different types of soil formations in Mr. Huskey's Introductory Agriculture class.



IN ORDER TO COME UP WITH THE CORRECT AMOUNT, Junior Troy Salsbery carefully checks the figures in his accounting book before adding them up for an accounting package.



TIM SMITH, senior, painstakingly and cautiously chips a slab of metal with his wedge as a part of his project of making a tee weld in his Agricultural Mechanics class.

Students get basic skills

Preparing students for further education and experience in adapting their skills to the needs of a career was the purpose of the Agriculture and Business departments.

The skills learned in business classes prepared students for entering a business school. These skills included typing, shorthand and accounting. The department also offered new courses in sales and business law. In addition to the traditional skills needed for an occupation in business, new skills were demanded in the field of technology. "There will be opportunities for those with typing skills in the form of terminal operating, keyboard typing and computer operating," said Mrs. Roberta Lewellyn, business teacher. Learning these vocational skills will benefit the students when they embark on their careers.

Vocational skills were also taught in the agriculture classes which will be used later by students in agriculture-related fields, whether in college or in their careers.

"We attempt to cover the basic production and management practices needed for successful crop and livestock production. There will be a positive transfer for any student that finds his career in agri-business and related fields," explained Mr. John Huskey, agriculture teacher.

Students selected home projects that gave them agricultural skills. This practice was often called a Supervised Experience Program. In addition, a student could work for someone else and thus gain experience to supplement his home projects.

Another class project included charting the major agricultural commodities on a weekly basis. This program illustrated the current prices and the trends in the market place for corn, soybeans, wheat, swine, beef, eggs and poultry.

Mr. Huskey concluded, "Our major concern is for students with an agricultural interest."

The agricultural and business departments gave students the background they needed for pursuing a career in business or agriculture.

Bev Carson

WORKING FOR SPEED AND ACCURACY, Suzanne Hotsinpillar, junior, writes down the sentences in shorthand as a letter is being dicated in Mrs. Patty's shorthand class.

SENIOR KELLY TEDLOCK looks over the possible answers before making his decision while taking a test in Government class, which is a required course for all seniors.

JUNIOR ROB CONYERS and Sophomore John Fisher conduct a chemistry lab.

MR. LAKE, psychology teacher, and Todd Holder, junior, discuss behavior patterns.

Students explore world around them

As the world around us continued to grow and become more complex, the science and social classes enabled students to meet the responsibilities of the future.

Government class informed students of the way the government was set up and run both on the state and federal levels. Seniors took a day to visit the State House in Indianapolis and observe the Senate and House of Representatives at work. Duane Buckner, senior, commented, "I thought it was interesting to see just how the public officials carry out their jobs."

But before these officials made it into office, they had to be elected, and the students also took part in local political campaigns. On election day some students worked at party headquarters or handed out pamphlets at the polls urging people to vote. "The time and money spent on a campaign is so tremendous. It was interesting to really get in and see what politics is all about," commented Senior Jeff Lake.

Economics introduced students to the "working" world by teaching students how to fill out federal tax forms and decide which insurance is best in different situations. The New York Stock Exchange also became of vital importance to students as they attempted to earn extra points through the buying and selling of stocks with imaginary money.

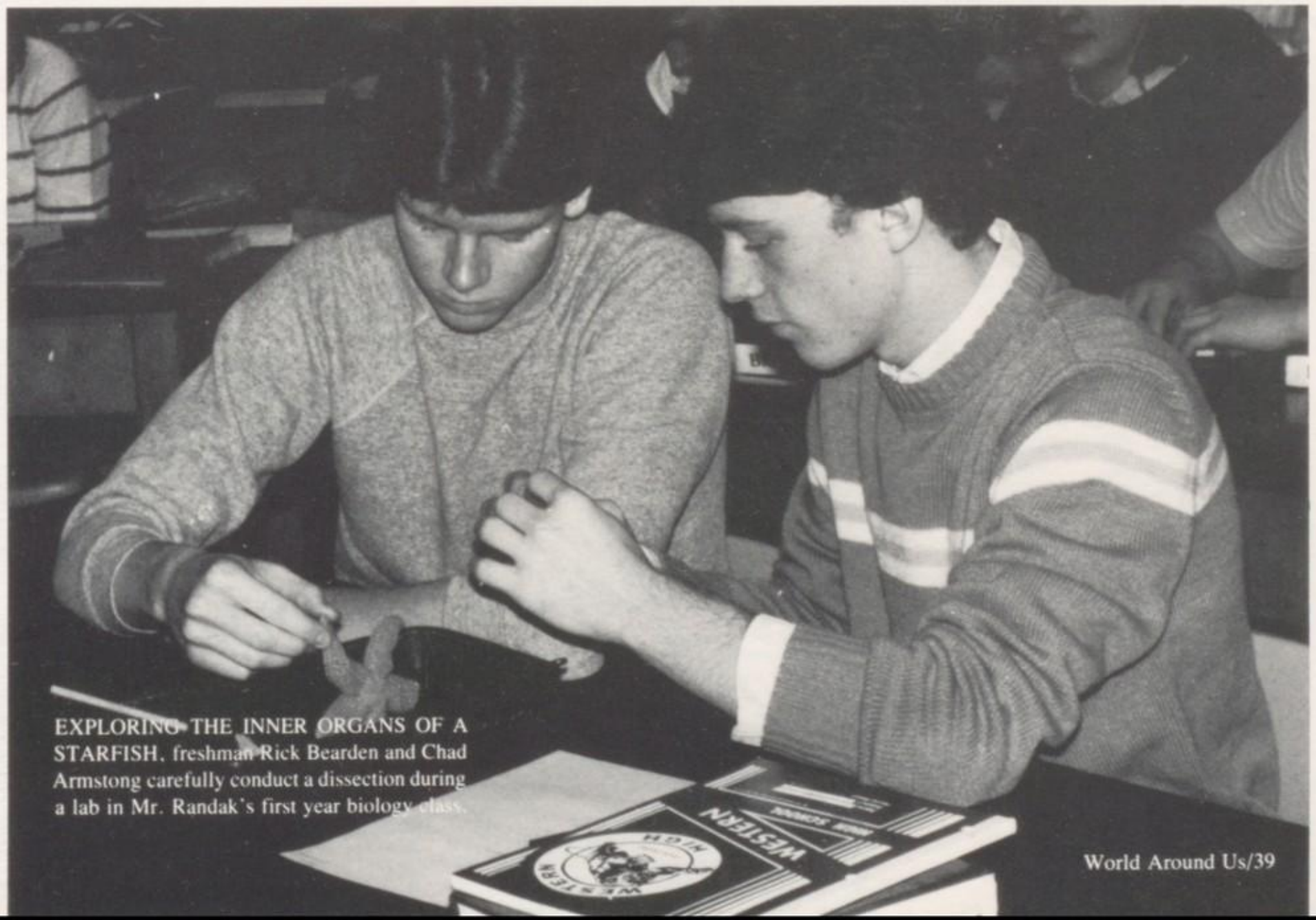
Other classes offered in the social studies department were U.S. History, World History and World Geography. In the two history classes, students learned about historical events and places and how these events helped shape the various governments and problems of the world today. World Geography gave students the opportunity to study how the natural resources, topography and climates influenced the locations of cities, along with the way world powers between countries are affected by the resources they have.

Science department courses helped students become aware of the physical world around them and served as important college preparatory courses. Included in the advanced biology course were the study of the classification of animals, genetics and the dissections of animals. Junior Sherri Watkins said, "Taking the advanced biology course allows me to have a good background for the biology classes I will be required to take in college."

In addition to the studies at school, twelve advanced biology students took a field trip to Howard Community Hospital in Kokomo to see the high technology areas of health careers, including Radiology, Physical Therapy, Ultra-Sound and Respiratory Therapy.

Taking these science and social studies classes served to make students more aware of the world around them and to prepare them for active roles in society.

Dacia Fields



EXPLORING THE INNER ORGANS OF A STARFISH, freshman Rick Bearden and Chad Armstong carefully conduct a dissection during a lab in Mr. Randak's first year biology class.

Students develop skills in creative arts classes

Math and English were classes most students took, but how about a class in creativity? The Creative Arts were also an important part of the curriculum, and for some students these classes provided a way to exhibit their talents and skills.

Industrial Arts classes gave students the opportunity to create and build furniture using wood. The Beginning Woods and Carpentry classes taught students the basics of woodworking while the intermediate classes built cabinets and clocks. Through two new programs on veneering and kitchen cabinet design and building, the students were able to build difficult projects to be entered in the Industrial Education Association State Contest. Advanced woods spent a day touring Union Furniture Store and Weberdings Woodcarving in Batesville to learn how woodworking was done professionally. The industrial arts students exhibited their talents in different ways throughout the year. "The students displayed their work around the school and did some remodeling work in the school," commented Mr. Narwold.

Auto Mechanics give students the chance to develop skills by teaching them basic knowledge of the automobile. Mr. Keisling stated, "Teaching this type of course is difficult because of the short class period, but we had some small classes that gave us the chance to get some "hands on" experience."

"Hands on" experience was a vital part of the art classes. Through Drawing, Painting, Visual Design, and Crafts, students were able to utilize their talents and create good works of art. Mr. Berryman commented, "The year went very well, and I was pleased with the results of the classes." Jenny Boyd, Mandy Moore and Darrin O'Neal prepared projects to enter in the Scholastic Art Award Contest, which was held in Indianapolis. "There were only a select number of students allowed to enter the contest from this area, so it was a big accomplishment for me to be chosen," stated Mandy Moore, senior.

The Crafts and Advanced Art classes took a day to visit Opalescent Glass Factory, OP Shop and the Stained Glass Shop to see how stained glass is used to create windows, sun catchers and lamps.

The Visual Design class used their creativity to enhance the school. They designed posters and buttons for Homecoming and made slide shows, transparent shows and filmstrips for the Media Fair. Several students submitted drawings to the yearbook editors to be chosen as the yearbook cover also.

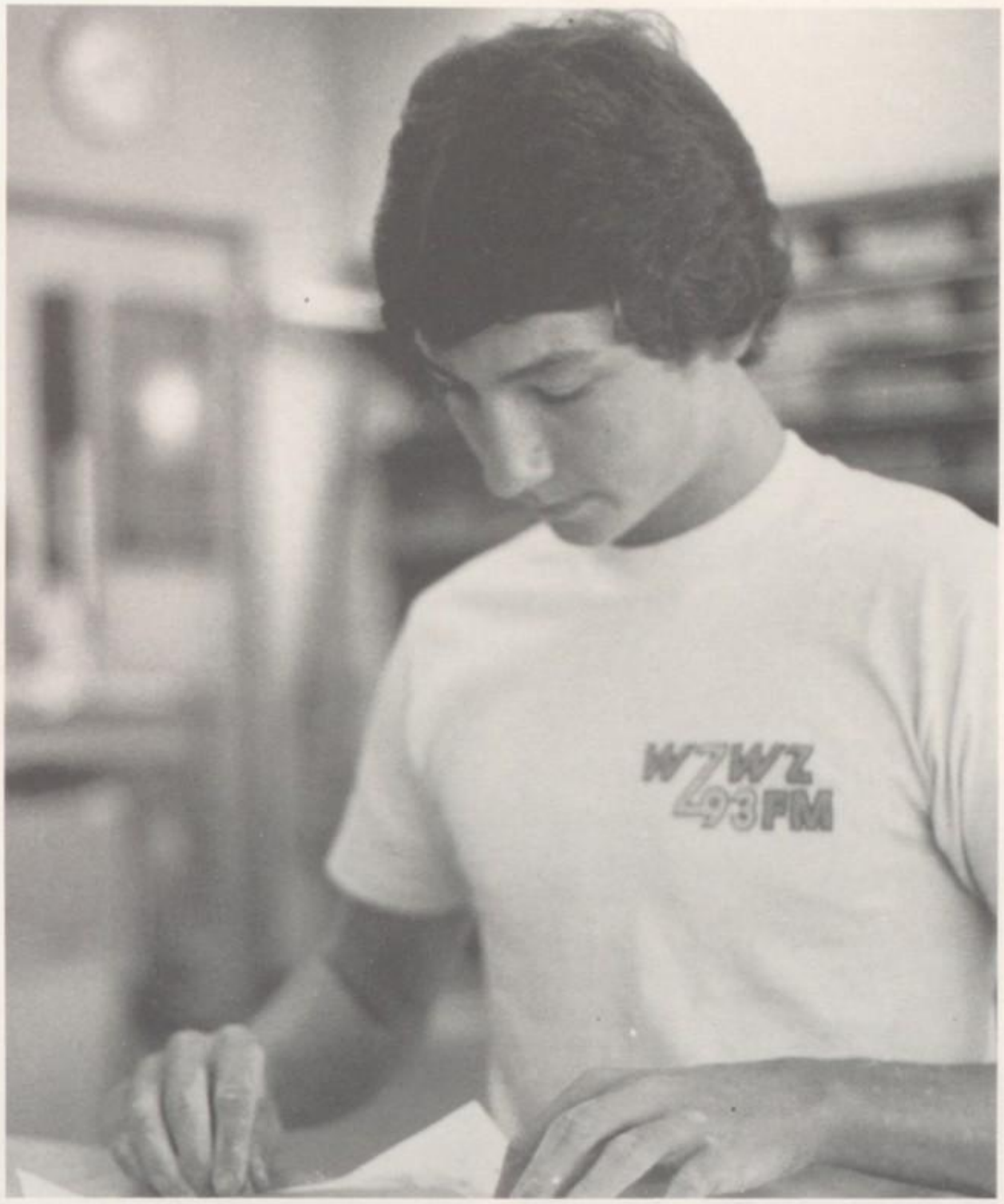
The creative arts classes were valuable to students because they allowed students to excel in subjects other than required subjects that they had a true interest and talent in.

Dacia Fields

SENIOR MONICA BORUFF shows her artistic ability while working on a scratch pad in art which was put on display in a showcase and exhibited in the Fine Arts Festival.

CONCENTRATION AND STEADY HANDS help sophomore Jim Hill work skillfully on the engine of a car for a class project in Mr. Keisling's Power and Transmission class.

WORKING ON A SLAB POT, Senior Bill White demonstrates his artistic ability in art class as he concentrates on creating the perfect shape for his ceramic project.



CAUTION AND DILIGENCE are necessary traits for Steve Humphrey, sophomore, as he carefully focuses on cutting his stock down to size on the lathe in Mr. Hoppes' Metals class.

Students gain knowledge of languages

In a world in which nations became more inter-related, the basis for maintaining good relations with foreign countries was aided by an understanding of foreign languages.

"People in other countries appreciate when you deal with them in their language," said Mrs. Lynda Dechert, French teacher.

Mrs. Rae Harris, Spanish teacher, added, "American foreign policy and diplomatic relations suffer because we don't know enough about other languages and cultures."

Students were prepared for further study in foreign language by being exposed to four skills — listening, speaking, reading and writing. They were informed that on a college level they could expand their course selection in those specific skills that they liked most. Students could take conversation and literature courses and eventually express their own ideas in the language they were studying.

Mrs. Dechert pointed out, "A foreign language can be taken in college with another major. It gives a person applying for a job a definite advantage over other job applicants."

French and Spanish classes also printed newspapers with articles on school festivities, and French students attended a national company's production of the play "Cyrano de Bergerac." The play, performed in both French and English, was geared for high school students.

"It was an excellent production and I enjoyed it very much," commented Junior Sherri Watkins.

By taking a foreign language, students were able to better prepare themselves for college and the job market as well as for contact with citizens from other cultures.

Bev Carson

SENIOR DONNA COLE follows along in her book as she listens intently to the lesson on Spanish verb conjugations from a tape in Mrs. Harris' second year Spanish class.

PERFORMING THEIR VERSION OF THE OSCAR MAYER HOT DOG SONG, juniors Valerie Bastin and Cindy Chen star in their favorite commercial in the third year Spanish class.

AS JUNIORS BRENDA ABBOTT AND LISA DONLEY watch in disbelief, Junior Tim Malone tries a spoonful of Life cereal and decides "he likes it" in this Spanish commercial.

FRESHMAN DAVE CAMPBELL concentrates on the correct pronunciation of his Latin vocabulary as he recites the lesson into his headset in Mrs. Harris' first year Latin class.

Talent results in successful season

Performing together for school and community functions, one of the main activities of the Concert Band and Robed Choir, was especially enjoyable for the performers and audiences alike as the amount of talent from each group complemented that of the other. Although both the band and choir were led by outstanding senior members, talent was equally spread between all the grade levels.

Besides giving performances at school and community affairs, the band and choir each did well at contest. With every chance the band and choir was given to dazzle the audience with their talent and ability, the quality and beauty of the music shone through in each note.

Pointing out the characteristics of the Concert Band as a whole, Band Director Mr. Larry Neuhauser stated, "This year's Concert Band had a very musical approach to phrasing, blend and balance and played with beautiful tone quality."

At the ISSMA contest, the band received firsts from all three judges in its performance of prepared music as well as in sightreading. The band was awarded a perfect score, the highest given at contest, from one judge. The most notable members of the band were the soloists. These students were given the responsibility of practicing their solo pieces to the point of perfection. The band's soloists were Terri Banjak, Kelly Collins, Dawn Garner, Ann Kelly, Becky Pecen, Brian Sheets and Susan Walden.

Besides being active in solo and ensemble contest at both district and state, band members performed at the Christmas Concert, the Winter Concert at IUK, the County Music Festival, the Spring Concert and the Commencement ceremony.

Putting her praise of the Robed Choir's talent and ability into a single statement, Choir Director Mrs. Sally Hanscom called the choir "a group that was really good when they were 'up!" The group made a good showing at the NISBOVA contest where it received a first place in sightreading and a second place for overall performance. Senior Mike Stout also sang at the state contest and he and Senior Bob Bogue performed gospel numbers together at concerts.

The Robed Choir was featured in Fun in the Fall, Honor Society initiation, the Christmas Concert, the Winter Concert, the County Music Festival and Commencement. Citing one particular performance, Mrs. Hanscom stated, "The choir gave one of the most outstanding performances ever given at the Christmas Concert." She added, "The seniors did an excellent job at the graduation ceremony, too."

Reflecting on her experience with the Robed Choir, Mrs. Hanscom summarized, "Since I'm retiring, this is a nice class to go out with. I've had most of these kids since seventh grade. They haven't always been easy, but they've been a fun class."

Using their talent and ability, the Concert Band and Robed Choir worked to present a successful and enjoyable season.

Bev Carson

DIRECTING THE ROBED CHOIR during the annual Christmas Concert, Mrs. Hanscom motions to choir members to reach a crescendo as they perform for the entire student body.

DIRECTED BY MRS. HANSCOM, the senior choir members provide the entertainment at the graduation ceremony with their sentimental performance of the song "Starmaker."

DRESSED IN TRADITIONAL MADRIGAL COSTUMES, Junior Betsy Hossom and seniors Polly Martin and Mike Stout sing "The Little White Hen" for the elementary school pupils.

MR. NEUHAUSER directs the band's Winter Concert show at Havens Auditorium.

Courses stress good health, exercise

When staying healthy, getting exercise, and developing good eating habits are desired, the home economics, physical education, and health courses are the classes which come first to mind.

In the home economic area, the main goal of the students was to learn to eat right in order to stay healthy. Not only did students learn how to cook, but they also had courses in sewing, single and married life, housing, consumer education and human development.

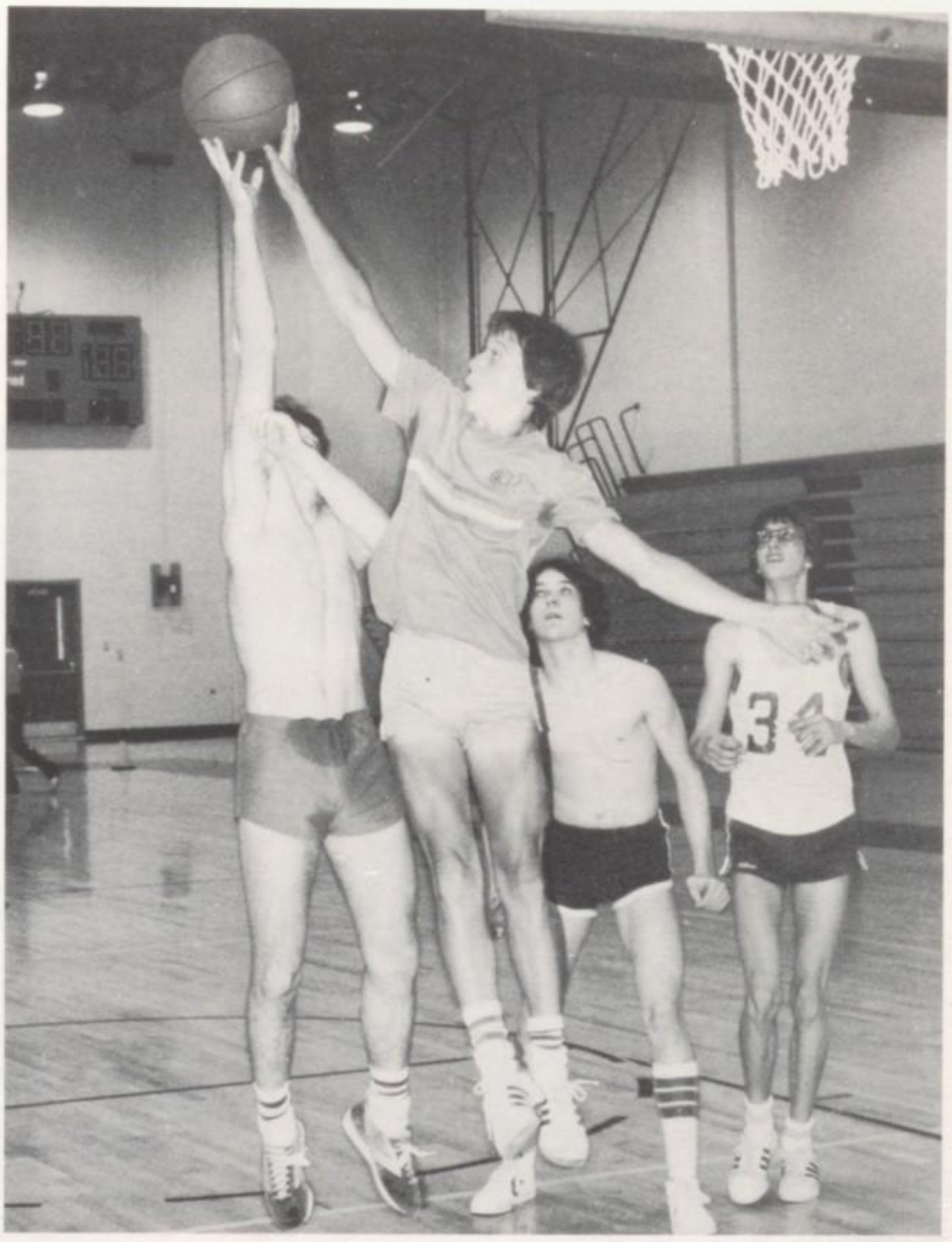
Combining a balanced diet with exercise is an important factor when it comes to staying fit and trim. Physical education dealt with improving the way a person looked and felt. Miss Darlene Zinn, physical education instructor, stated, "The physical education classes are a change of everyday routine of sitting. These classes teach the kids a little bit about various sports and also competition. We also do some running now and then to help kids condition themselves and to show them that it is something that can last a lifetime."

Knowing how long and how much one should exercise depends on a person's health. The health classes taught students different ways to stay healthy. Mrs. Joyce Burkhardt, health teacher, commented, "We study various sections including personality, personality in trouble, body systems, first aid, sports and recreation, protection against disease, doctors, and public health."

Taking all of these courses may be extremely beneficial. Senior Jenny Maenpa added, "I feel taking the self-improvement classes is very important because it has taught me the right ways to stay healthy."

Sherri Colby

DISPLAYING THE TEDIOUS AND TIME-CONSUMING ART of cake decorating, Senior Tina McGaha diligently adds the finishing touches to her project in Mrs. Pullen's class.



SOPHOMORES ROY BENNETT AND MATT RUEBUSH look on as Sophomore Tim Agal jumps up in an attempt to block a basket during a basketball game in Physical Education class.

IN FOODS CLASS, students learn the basic art of preparing food for each meal of the day. Sophomore Valerie Lytle and Junior Susan Fenimore eat the dinner meal they prepared for class.

IN MRS. BURKHARDT'S HEALTH CLASS, Sophomore Larry Johnson ties Sophomore Eric Myers' head together, illustrating one of many first aid skills the class practiced.

WARMING UP is an important part of physical fitness and during her gym class, Freshman Angie McAninch carefully stretches her muscles before attempting a strenuous workout.

a little bit of **physical growth**

Through the daily routine of intense workouts combined with the necessary determination and dedication, athletes joined together to strive for new athletic goals — individual as well as team goals. And the results were clearly visible.

Coach Jim Plummer's football team landed the school's first-ever Play-off berth before bowing to undefeated and top-ranked McCutcheon. Senior Jake Stout was named "Howard County Football Player of the Year," while also being selected to the Bloomington Herald-Telephone All-State team for his defensive efforts.

Another first was accomplished by Coach Duane Keisling's crew. The boys basketball team survived a close call win over Eastern and later followed with a 74-49 drubbing of Haworth to claim the school's first Sectional championship. The squad also captured its first share of the MIC trophy along with Taylor.

Along the individual lines, Senior Brian Weeks became the first runner in the past 10 years to win the Howard County cross country meet in back-to-back seasons. Senior Chip Brunt advanced to the Regional round in tennis, and Freshman Ray Shepherd wrestled his way to the State finals before tying for eighth place. Also, Freshman Sally Souffrant earned a right to swim in the State finals in her first varsity season.

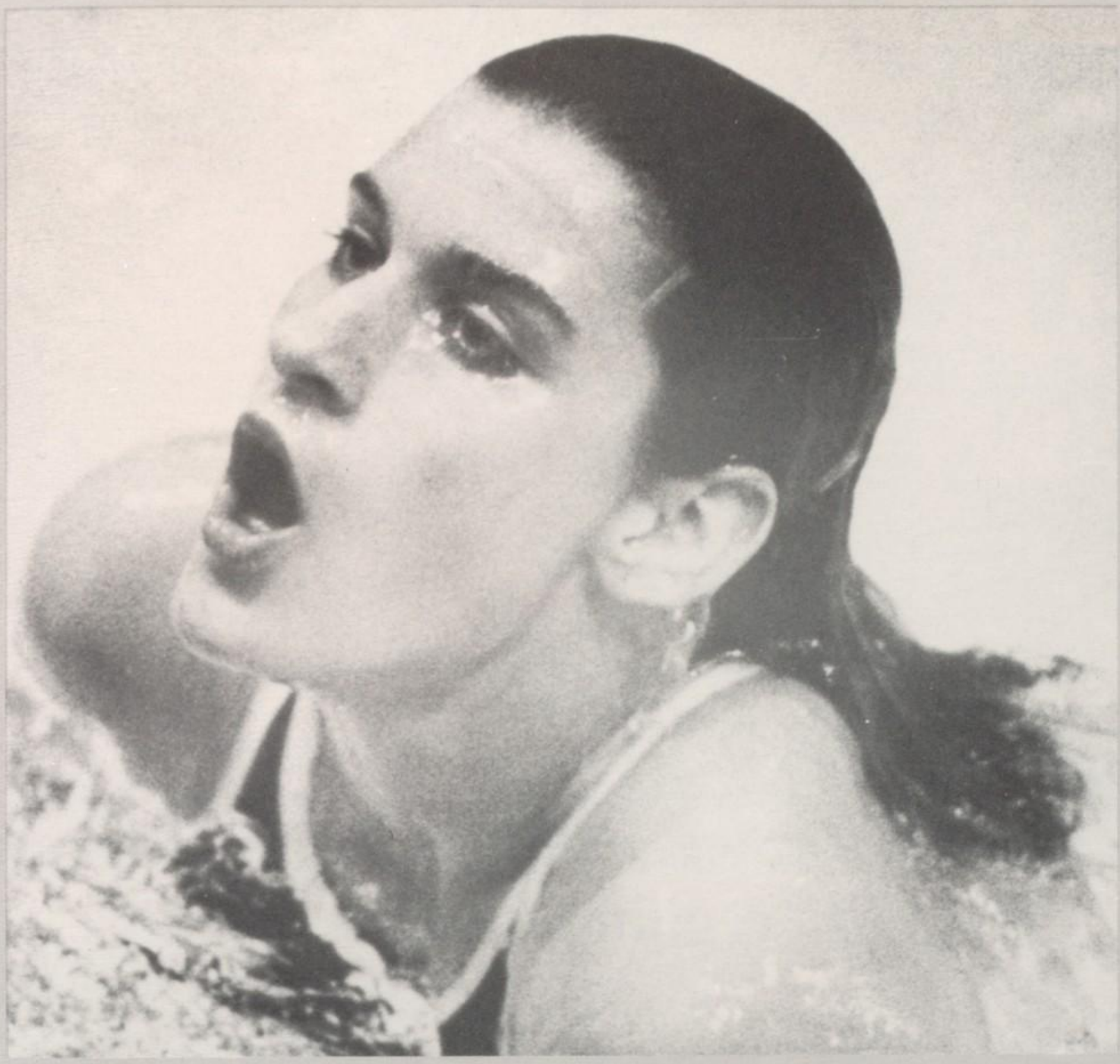
When the smoke cleared and the battles had ceased, the hard work had paid off for the Panthers and each realized that he had experienced "a little bit of athletic growth."

Curt Cavin

AFTER THE SECTIONAL WIN, Junior Darrin O'Neal triumphantly waves part of the net.

KICKING OFF THE SCHOOL'S FIRST-EVER REGIONAL PEP SESSION, the team assisted by the Mountmen, rides onto the floor aboard Coach Keisling's decorated "spirit bug."

IN AN AGONIZING MOMENT AGAINST ARCH RIVAL NORTHWESTERN, Junior Mark Love attempts to find a release move that will pin his opponent for a win in the match.



AFTER WORKING HARD ALL SEASON, Senior Jill Vostatek finds practice makes perfect as she captures first place in the 50 free style at the Kokomo Swimming Sectional.

DURING THE TRACK MEET WITH TRI-CENTRAL, Junior Becky Murchison edges out her opponent for a victory, while teammate Sharon TeRonde, sophomore, follows closely behind.

SENIOR MIKE WILLIAMS demonstrates the effortless form and the intense concentration that enabled him to capture an excellent fifth place finish in the County meet.

THROUGH AGONY AND DETERMINATION, Senior Curt Cavin and Junior John Slaubaugh work toward passing Derrick Hansen of Taylor in the Howard County meet at Cabot Park.

Harriers regain Conference title

There is an old saying that states that all good things must come to an end, and Coach Joe Orr's harriers can attest to that. For the first time since 1976, the Sectional championship trophy was awarded to a team other than Western's. But it didn't happen because Orr's troops lacked the necessary effort or talent.

"In the early going, things were looking pretty good. Several of the guys put in a lot of mileage this summer, and two of them ran over 500 miles each. I felt that we had as much depth as any team that I've coached in the past several years. But the competition simply caught up with us, and we didn't win a few of the meets that we have won in the past," explained Orr.

For the second straight year, the Most Valuable Runner was Senior Brian Weeks. Weeks, who captured individual honors against Haworth, Eastern and Maconaquah, became the first person in the past 10 years to win back-to-back Howard County titles.

"Brian has had an excellent four years. He has run the past 43 races as a varsity runner, which dates back to the beginning of his sophomore year," commented Orr.

Even though a second place at the Sectional was a little tough to swallow, the season as a whole was still a success.

"We had a good season, but not a great one. The highlight was definitely the regaining of the Conference title. We had a super effort at both the Sectional and the MIC. The only difference was that we won the MIC," continued Orr.

The team also finished undefeated in its dual meets, won the Frankfort Invitational, and placed second in the County and in the Pike and Western Invitationals.

Curt Cavin

ON HIS WAY TO A VICTORY, Senior Co-captain Brian Weeks leads a pack of Huskies.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS INCLUDE Front Row: Brian Weeks, Bill White; Second Row: John Gabbard, Gregg Svoma, John Slaubaugh, Curt Cavin, Dave Troyer, Mike Williams; Back Row: Dan McBay, David Rivers, John Bowman, Tony Newlin, Brian Switzer, Mr. Joe Orr, Coach.

Cross Country

OPPONENT	
Northwestern Combo	3rd of 6
Haworth	20-36 (w)
Pike	2nd of 25
Carmel, Lafayette Jeff, Kokomo	4th of 4
Eastern	26-29 (w)
Maconaquah	24-33 (w)
Bloomington Invitational	15th of 42
Western Invitational	2nd of 10
Howard County	2nd of 4
Logansport Invitational	6th of 15
MIC	1st of 6
Frankfort Invitational	1st of 6
Sectional	2nd of 10
Regional	5th of 10

Plummer's troops battle McCutcheon in Playoffs

"The players worked well together and cooperated with each other, which made them a whole team," commented Mr. Jim Plummer, head football coach, after the team made the Playoffs for the first time in the school's history. A last minute field goal by sophomore place kicker Tom Harshman against North Montgomery opened the door for a possible Playoff birth.

"Everyone was ecstatic! The team really worked hard and it was great when the work paid off," stated Plummer, after learning that Pendleton Heights had defeated Yorktown, which made it possible for the team to go to the IHSAA Class AA State Playoffs.

On the cold and rainy night, the team lost to a tough McCutcheon Maverick team, 27-3. Harshman scored the only points with a 28-yard field goal. Junior Tim O'Neal said, "I felt bad when we lost, but I felt good just to be there and to say that I played."

It was especially nice for the 17 seniors on the team to be able to play in the Playoffs since it was their last year. Of the 17 seniors, six of them made the All-County team. They were Mike Bell, Bob Bogue, Tony Kanable, Blake Rollins, Randy Smith, Jake Stout. Three Juniors — Bob Eldridge, Jeff Jones and Tim O'Neal — also made the All-County team. Honorable mentions included Harshman and Senior Lance Rice. Stout, who was named to the All-County offensive and defensive teams, also received the 1982 County Football Player of the Year, the MVP Award and was named to the AP First Team, UPI First Team and the Bloomington Herald Telephone State Lists. Bogue also received honorable mentions to all three. O'Neal also set a school record with a 47-yard field goal.

The team finished with an 8-3 record and was named co-champions of the MIC, along with Maconaquah and Northwestern.

Coach Plummer concluded by saying, "Under all the circumstances, that's including all the injuries the team suffered, I felt we lived up to our expectations."

Melanie Bowlin

FOOTBALL

OPPONENT	
Frankfort	13-0
Maconaquah	6-21
Taylor	9-0
Hamilton Heights	28-10
Northwestern	6-0 "OT"
Tipton	0-19
Eastbrook	14-6
Delta	16-0
Lewis Cass	35-0
North Montgomery	10-7
Playoffs	
McCutcheon	3-27

Record 8-3

IN THE MIDST OF A VICTORY OVER TAYLOR, Senior halfback Lance Rice eludes his Titan opponent and sets his sights on gaining additional yardage before being tackled.

AS THE RAIN-SOAKED DEFENSIVE UNIT GATHERS ON THE SIDELINES, Senior Tackle Bob Bogue attempts to comfort dejected classmate Mike Bell during the fourth quarter of Western's first appearance in the

IHSAA playoffs. Senior Jake Stout also reflects the disappointment of bowing to the undefeated and top-ranked McCutcheon Mavericks 27-3.

FOLLOWING A QUICK HAND-OFF FROM SOPHOMORE QUARTERBACK SCOTT LONG, Senior running back Lance Rice is stood-up by a Lewis Cass defender in the midst of a crucial Conference battle. The 35-0 lashing of the Kings enabled the Panthers to clinch a share of the MIC championship along with the Maconaquah Braves and the Northwestern Tigers.

MEMBERS OF THE VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM are Front Row: cheerleaders Susan Fenimore and Julie Swartz, Mike Bell, Dan Otis, John Renshaw, Chris Leach, Randy Smith, Lance Rice, Blake Rollins, Tony Kanable, Neil Marcus, Steve Scott, Bob Bogue, cheerleaders Angie Abendroth and Karen Chambers; Second Row: cheerleaders Susan Wise and Dawn Coomer, Jon Anderson, Greg Bugher, Chris Wolfgram, Bob Marley, Jim Reser, Todd Harris, Jewel Scott, Rod Boles, Brian Hopwood, Jeff Jones, Mark Love, Rob Conyers, Ron Geyer, cheerleaders Kelly Bell and Cathy Perry; Third Row: cheerleaders Jenny Maenpa and Kim Hill, Kelly Knepley, John Fisher, Tom Harshman, Aaron Mendenhall, Trent Rice, Scott Long, Curt Bogue, LeAlan Morgan, Ray Shephard, Tom Young, Dave Conyers, Larry Johnson, cheerleaders Lori Weir and Stacy Ashcraft; Fourth Row: Assist. Coach Ron Colby, Head Coach Jim Plummer, Dave Earlywine, Tim O'Neal, Eric Myers, Tim Hanson, Robert Eldridge, Mark Wesson, Ted Ashburn, Rick Bearden, Larry Free, Assist. Coach Dennis Schulte; Back Row: Panther Mascot LeighAnne Bogue, Chris Pierce, Lane Roarke, Brian Schaefer, Joe McGinnis, Mike Love, Terry Boggs, Darrin O'Neal, Mark Dunkin, Mark Martin.

Murphy's squad places two on All-MIC

"I thought the Tipton match was the best we played. We were expected to lose, but we played three close matches to win 12-15, 14-10, 16-14," commented Senior Sherri Milburn.

"Another highlight was beating Taylor. We were the underdogs but pulled through again, beating them 14-12, 15-8," added Milburn.

Despite their 6-9 record, the girls played as a team. "I believe the team worked together well. Instead of six individual players, we had one unit out there working together. Our record really didn't reflect how good we were," said Senior Lorna Harbaugh.

Senior foreign exchange student Barbara Brueckner was also an asset to the team. "At the beginning of the season she was unsure of herself, but as the season progressed she did very well. She had a lot of enthusiasm and a good attitude," commented Coach Linda Murphy.

Junior Liz Corn was cited by Coach Murphy as being the most improved. "She knew the basic fundamentals and put forth a good effort," added Murphy.

Milburn, combining her skills and leadership ability, was chosen as the team's MVP. She was also named to the first team All-County and MIC squads. Harbaugh was selected to both the All-County and MIC second teams.

Cheryl Helvig

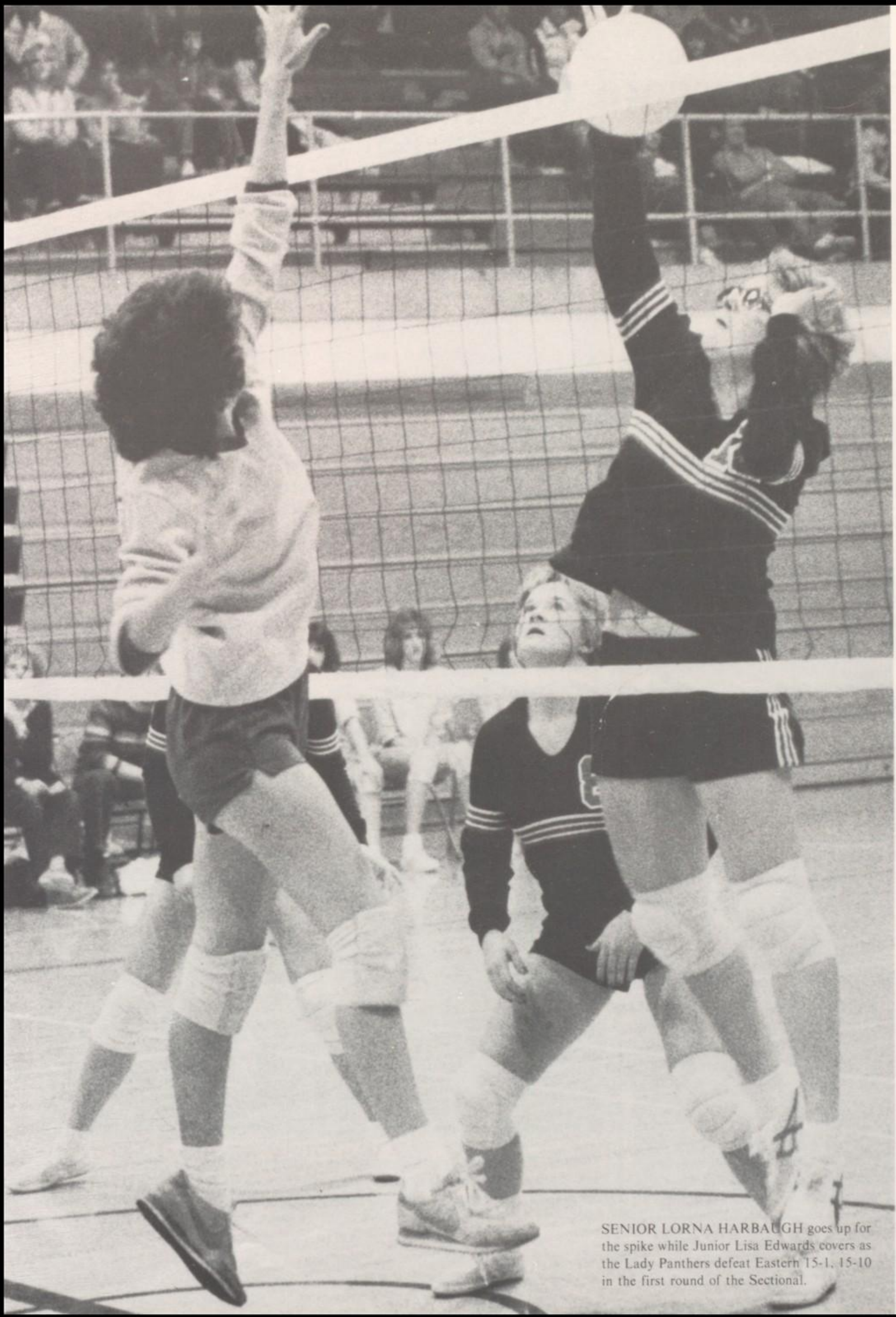
DURING THE GAME AGAINST HAWORTH, Senior captain Sherri Milburn shows her passing ability as her teammates Senior Barbara Brueckner and Junior Susan Ray eagerly look on.

VOLLEYBALL

OPPONENT	
Eastbrook	Loss
Tipton	Win
Tri-Central	Win
Maconaquah	Loss
Cass	Loss
Taylor	Win
Northwestern	Loss
Peru	Win
Carroll	Win
Kokomo	Loss
Clinton Central	Loss
Howard County	
Northwestern	Loss
Haworth	Loss
Sectional	
Eastern	Win
Haworth	Loss

Record: 6-9

MEMBERS OF THE VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM are Coach Linda Murphy, Susan Ray, Mary Arbuckle, Captains Lorna Harbaugh and Sherri Milburn, Kris Kelly, Lisa Edwards, Barbara Brueckner, Assist. Coach Lynn Hale.



SENIOR LORNA HARBAUGH goes up for the spike while Junior Lisa Edwards covers as the Lady Panthers defeat Eastern 15-1, 15-10 in the first round of the Sectional.

Teams record top seasons

"I was satisfied with the season because of our improvement, but we should have won more of the close matches," commented Coach Jerry Bradley.

It was a year of firsts for the boys' and girls' tennis teams. One highlight was that the players recorded the best season in the six-year tennis program. Also, the three singles players — seniors Chip Brunt and Kevin Agal, and sophomore Tim Agal — all had win-loss records of 10-8.

By going undefeated in Sectional play, Brunt qualified for the Regional singles tournament at North Central High School. He was eliminated from the competition by Senior Jim Heck of Northwestern. "It was an honor to go on to the Regional tournament because I knew no one from Western had ever gone there before," stated Brunt.

Agal and Brunt were both announced most improved and also shared MVP honors. "Without either of these players, the team would not have been quite as successful," added Bradley.

Much of that attitude was the same for the girls as they won the most matches ever in the team's history and placed second in the eight-team invitational at Delphi. Much of the girls' success is credited to the change-over to the new system for the girls' teams — three singles and two doubles teams instead of five singles and two doubles teams. "I think it was a good idea to switch to the guys' format because it gives the coaches more time to work with the individual players. The total team was much improved over last year and they even improved as the season progressed," said Bradley.

The MVP honors were awarded to the doubles team of Senior Barb Brueckner, foreign exchange student from Germany, and Sophomore Stacy Ashcraft they complied a school best of nine wins and six losses and they also won five of their last seven matches. "The season was a total team effort. Both the girls' and boys' teams were competitive all season and I believe this was the beginning of many more successful tennis teams," concluded Bradley. Many great expectations are foreseen for the coming seasons from both individual and team efforts, and through complimenting these promising outlooks, a little bit of growth was achieved.

Chip Brunt/Cheryl Helvig

Girls' Tennis

OPPONENT	
Taylor	4-1
Kokomo	1-4
Harrison	0-5
Mississinewa	2-3
Frankfort	0-5
Northwestern	0-5
Delphi Inv.	2nd
Maconaquah	2-3
Carroll	4-1
Haworth	0-5
Taylor	2-3
Sectional	0-5

Record: 2-9

GIRLS' TENNIS TEAM includes Front Row: Barbara Brueckner, Sabrina Street, Jerelyn Fortune, Karen Schumacher, Robin Ratcliff, Stacy Ashcraft, Mary Tuchscherer; Back Row: Manager Linda Carson, Yuko Mizuno, Ginger Hayes, Misti Boodt, Janice Indrutz, Valerie Yoder, Jo Zimmerman, Coach Jerry Bradley.

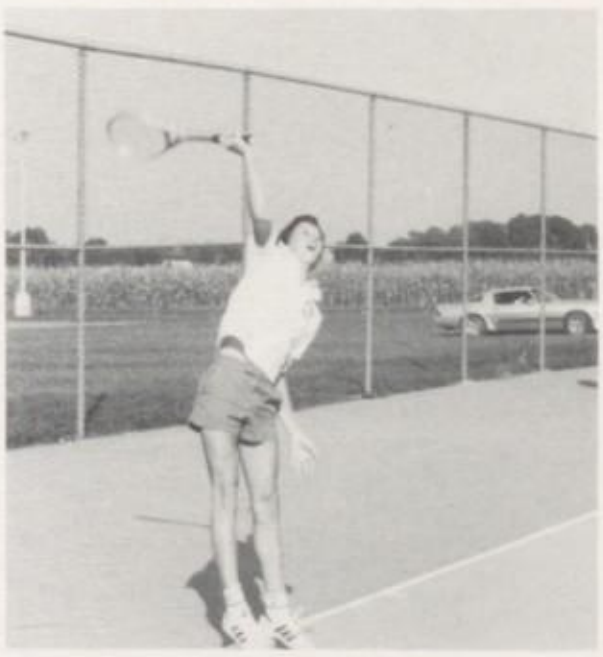
SOPHOMORE MARY TUCHSCHERER, number one singles player, displays her forehand return technique in a match against a Taylor opponent. (Photo courtesy of Kokomo Tribune)

SENIOR KEVIN AGAL concentrates on a smooth forehand return while warming up for the match against his Maconaquah opponent. Agal lost the singles match in close sets.

Boys' Tennis

OPPONENT	
Frankfort	4-1
Carroll	4-1
Delphi	3-2
Taylor	4-1
Maconaquah	2-3
Haworth	2-3
Taylor	2-3
Twin Lakes	4-1
West Lafayette	0-5
Northwestern	2-3
Delphi	3-2
Seeger	4-1
Mississinewa	2-3
Kokomo	3-2
Maconaquah	2-3
Tipton	1-4
Carroll	3-2
Sectional	2-3

Record: 9-9



DISPLAYING HIS SERVICE TALENT, Sophomore Tim Agal warms up before the meet against Maconaquah. He won the number three singles match; however, the Panthers lost.

BOYS' TENNIS TEAM includes Front Row: Doug Dunlap, Steve Oakley, Ty Thomas, Jeff Glick, Steve Querry, Chris Hale, Jim Kesterson, Dave Dankert; Back Row: Kyle Street, Chad Armstrong, Jeff Tuchscherer, Chip Brunt, Kevin Agal, K.C. Lennon, Darin Ashcraft, Tim Agal, Coach Jerry Bradley.

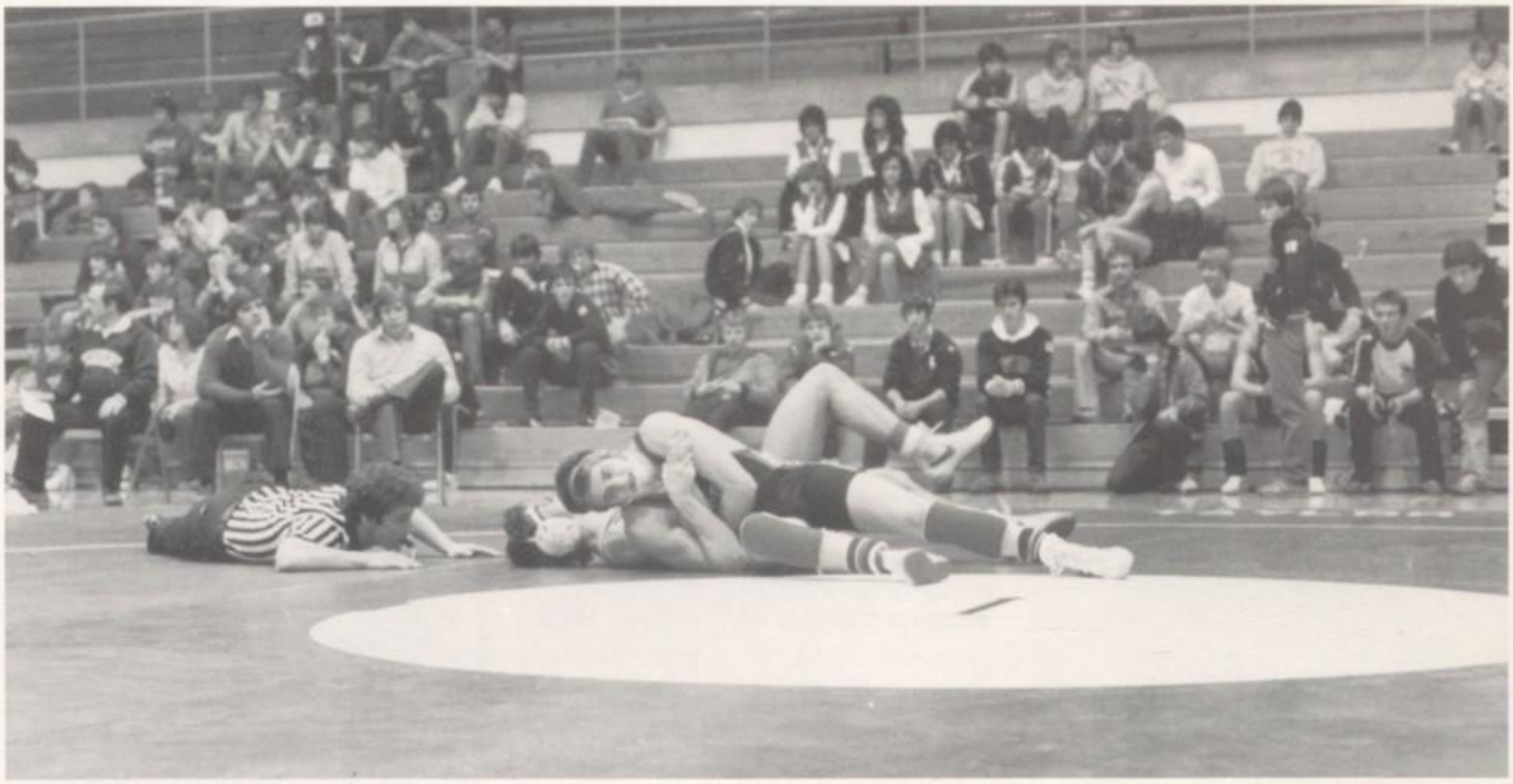
Inexperience hurts wrestling team

"As far as a win-loss record, it was the most disappointing year I have had in 13 years. At the same time, I feel 15 kids learned things that will be a big help later on down the road," commented Varsity Wrestling Coach Bob Jarrett.

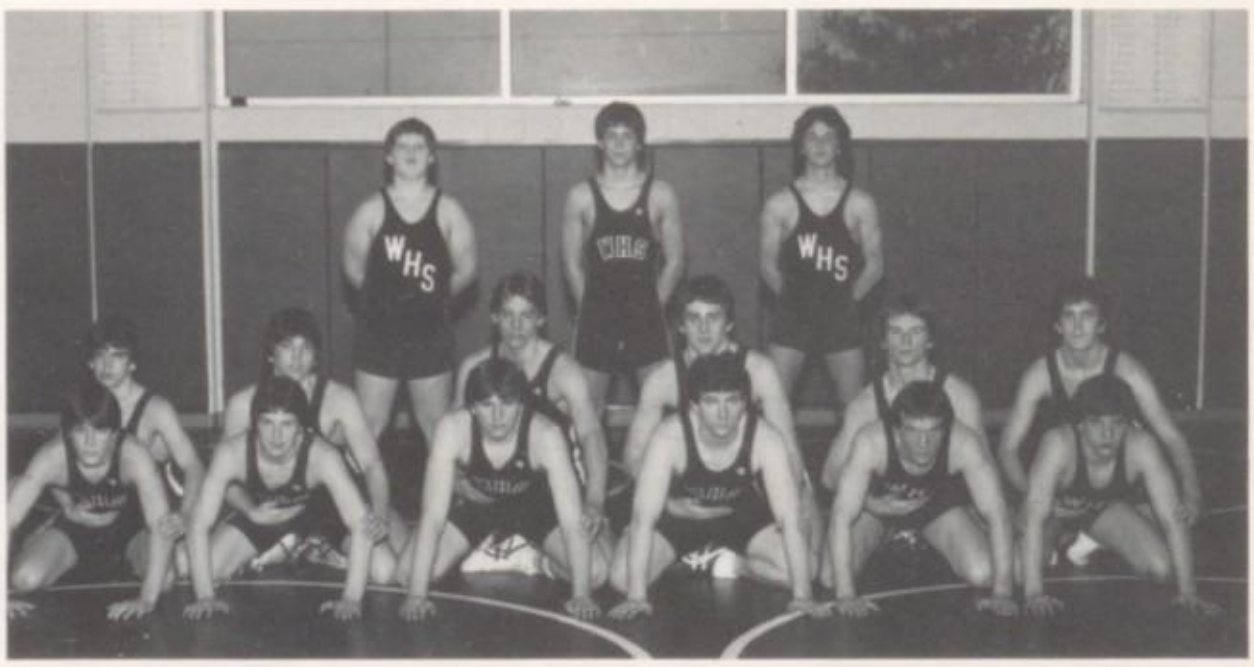
If there were two words that would sum up the wrestling team, they would be "young" and "inexperienced." The team consisted of five juniors, nine sophomores, and one freshman. The 1-9 overall record shows the youth and inexperience, but Coach Jarrett said the young team got a lot of varsity experience which should prove to be a big asset next year. "Being as young and inexperienced as we were, I thought just about everybody came a long way, but I would have to say Ray Shepherd came as far as anybody," said Jarrett.

Shepherd, the only freshman on the team did just that. He placed first in Sectional, second in Regional, second in Semi-State, and tied for eighth in the State meet. Coach Jarrett also named Shepherd as the most valuable wrestler on the team.

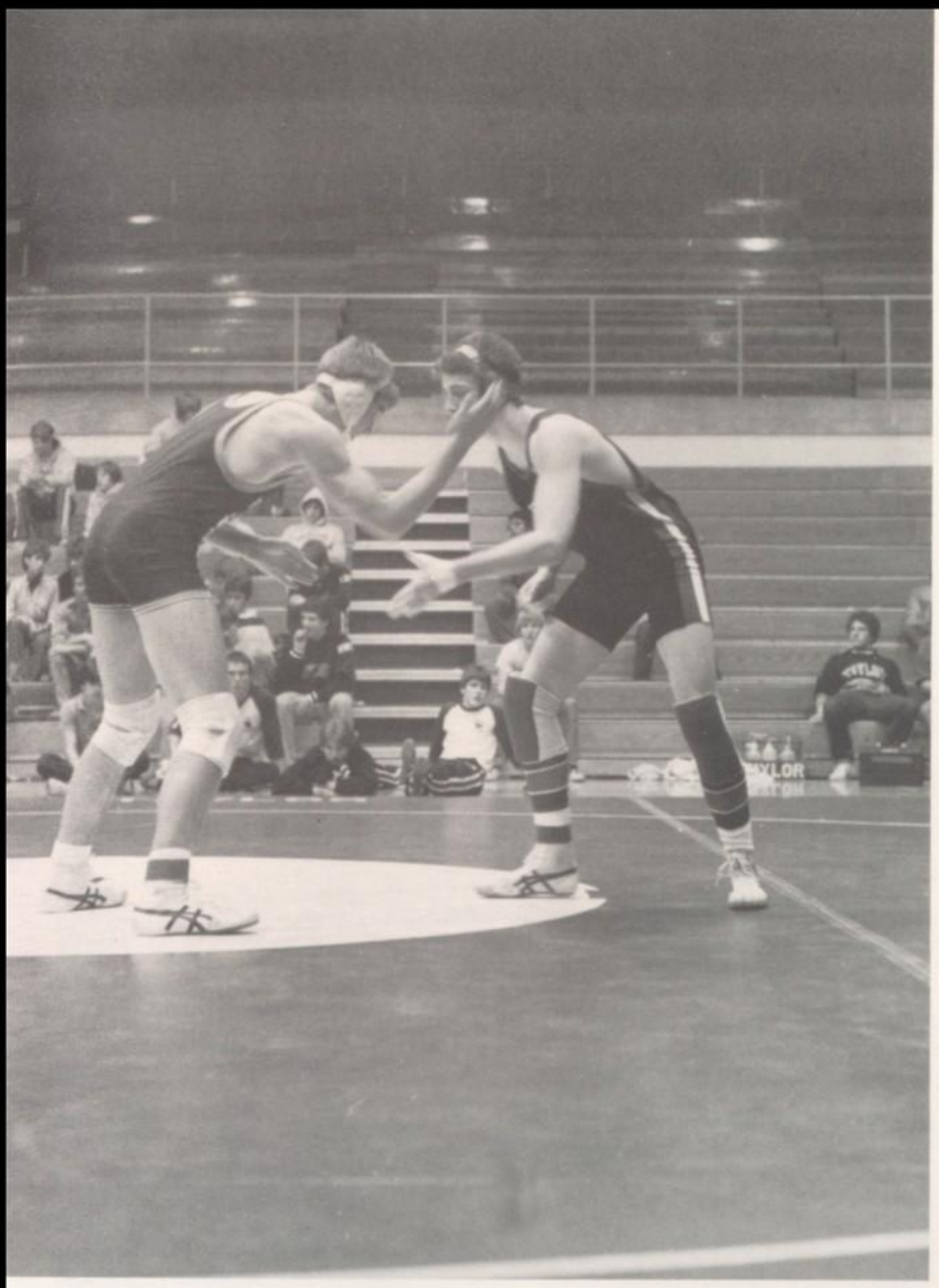
Chip Brunt



IN THE MIDST OF THE CONFERENCE MEET AT TAYLOR, Junior Robert Eldridge earns three points for a near-fall that enabled him to capture a second place finish overall.



MEMBERS OF THE WRESTLING TEAM are Front Row: Mark Love, Jon Anderson, Tracy Free, Jim Boehm, Ray Shepherd, Mike Kirkendall; Second Row: Dave Conyers, Aron Mendenhall, Ted Ashburn, Robert Eldridge, Jim Reser, Troy Gaylor; Back Row: Dave Ashenfelter, Mike Love, Brian Gilbert.

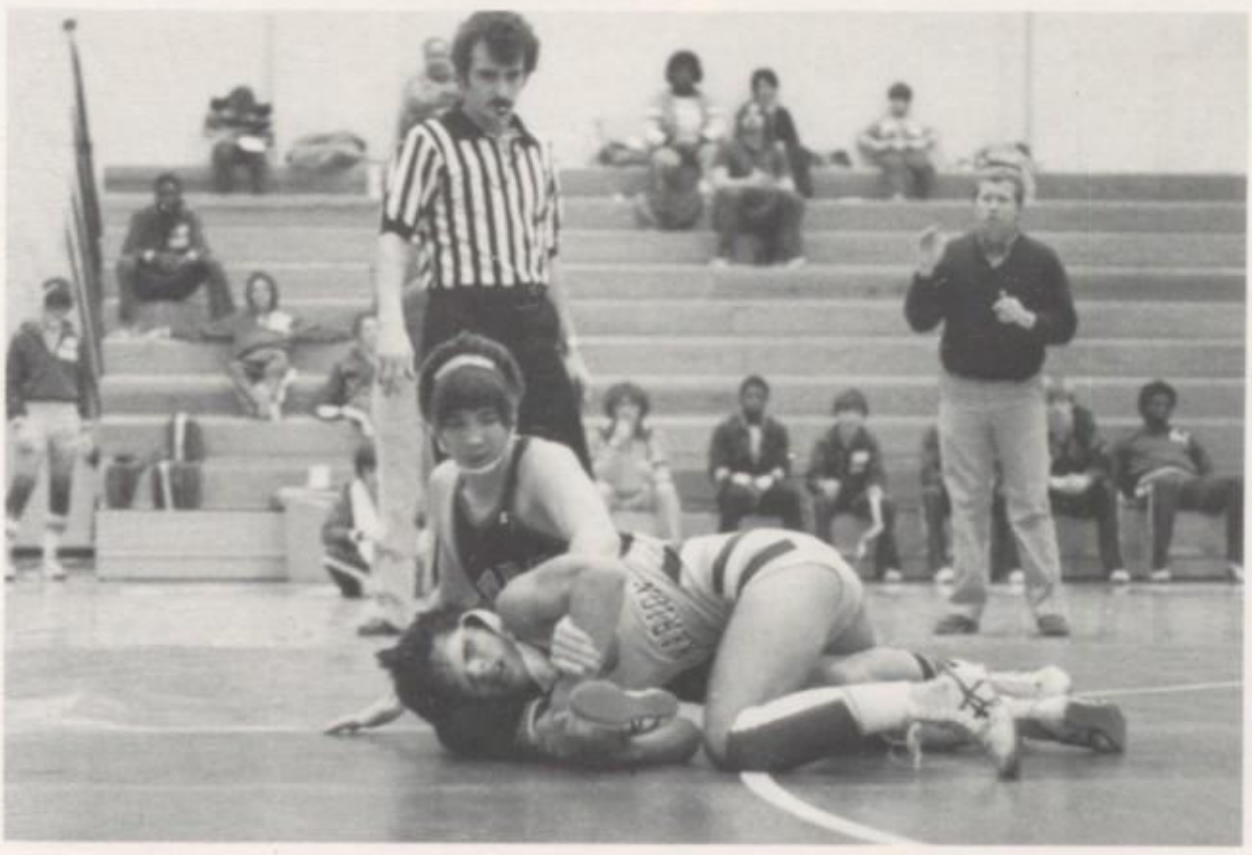


AT THE MIC MEET HELD AT TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL, Junior Robert Eldridge prepares to take down his opponent in the opening round. Eldridge went on to get a second place finish.

Wrestling

Beech Grove	Loss
W. Lafayette	Win
Taylor-Logan-Kokomo	Loss
Marion	Loss
Marion Invitational	Loss
Bloomington Invit.	Loss
Western Invit.	Loss
Haworth	Loss
Northwestern	Loss
Lafayette Jeff	Loss
M.I.C.	Loss
Peru	Loss
Sectional	Loss

Record 1-9



AS THE TIME ON THE CLOCK RUNS OUT, Aron Mendenhall, sophomore, begins to take control in his attempt to escape from the hold his Marion opponent has on him.

Roundballers net Conference title

With proven productive seniors and a cast of talented, yet inexperienced juniors, Coach Duane Keisling's netters set their sights on winning a couple trophies that no other Western ball club had ever won.

"Basically, we had about four major goals. First of all, we wanted to repeat as County champions. We also wanted to win all of our home ball games. But most importantly, we wanted to win both the Conference and the Sectional, which would have been a first for the boys basketball program," commented the Panthers' third-year mentor.

And despite some sickness and an ankle injury during midseason, Keisling's troops achieved three of the four.

Only a 56-40 setback of Northwestern in the opening game of the County Tourney spoiled what Keisling called a "dream season".

Following an opening game loss in overtime to Kokomo, the squad reeled off a string of six consecutive wins.

"During the early part of the season, we felt the key was the play of our seniors. They were the ones who got us rolling until Chip's ankle injury just prior to the County Tourney.

"With Chip on the bench, I felt like it turned out to be a good time for (Kevin) Morgan, (Greg) Bewley, and (Jeff) Lipinski to gain a ton of confidence which we were going to need heading down the stretch," added Keisling.

The other disappointing part of the team's "dream season" occurred following an emotional win over a tough Frankfort team.

"We had had six of our ten players out of school with the flu the week of the Frankfort and Maconaquah ball games. Fortunately, we played well on Friday against the Hot Dogs, but we had absolutely nothing left for our big matchup with Maconaquah," explained Keisling.

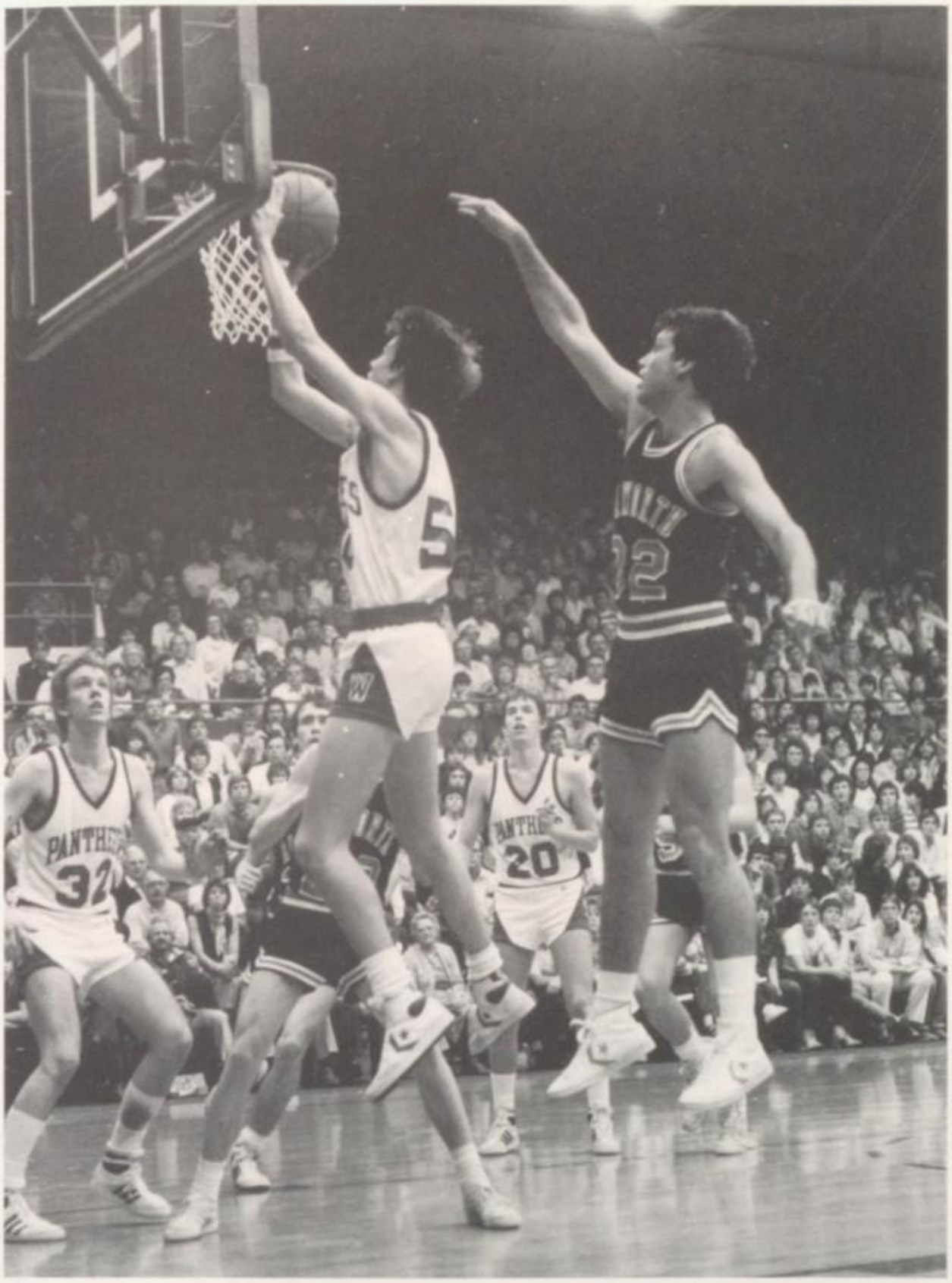
At that time, the Panthers were undefeated in Conference play and on their way to a clean slate in the MIC before being derailed by the host Braves. The team went on to finish 4-1 in the conference to share top honors with Taylor's Titans. Nevertheless, it was the first time the team had ever won even a piece of the MIC crown.

With a healthy Brunt, who was named Most Valuable Player, and Dave Alley, who turned in back to back games of 28 points against Carroll and Lewis Cass, the Panthers began an assault that would lead Keisling and Company to the championship game of the Anderson Regional to battle with eventual state finalist Anderson.

Senior Tri-Captain Brunt ended the season averaging 15.3 points per game, while Alley, who wound up the Howard County's leading rebounder, followed at 14.6 points per game. Morgan was the only other Panther to average in double figures at 12.1. Mike Bell and Alley served as the other tri-captains along with Brunt.

Curt Cavin

AS JUNIOR DARRIN O'NEAL eagerly awaits a quick outlet pass, classmate Greg Bewley hauls down an uncontested rebound of a Huskie misfire in the Sectional finale.



DURING THE HAWORTH GAME, Senior Dave Alley drives up for two points while being guarded by Haworth's Chris Thompson as seniors Chip Brunt and Mike Bell look on.

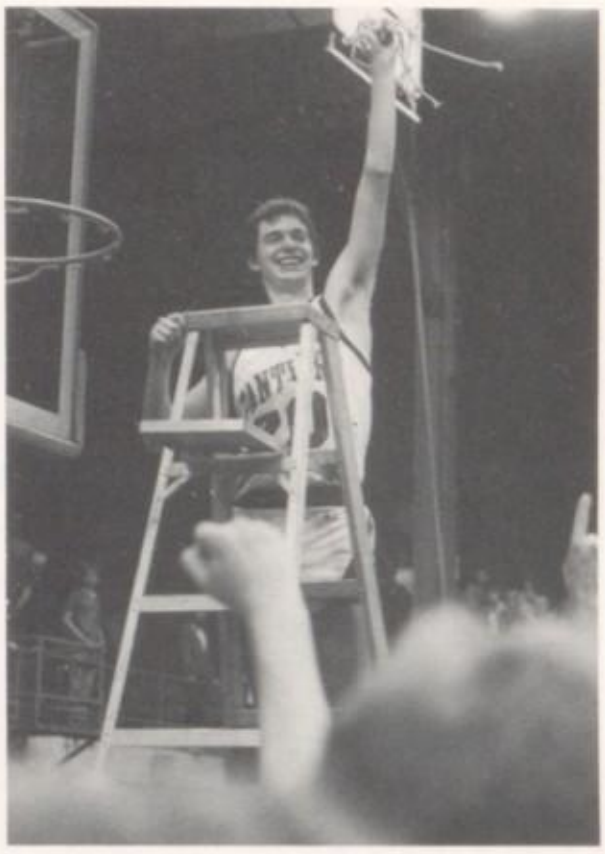
BASKETBALL

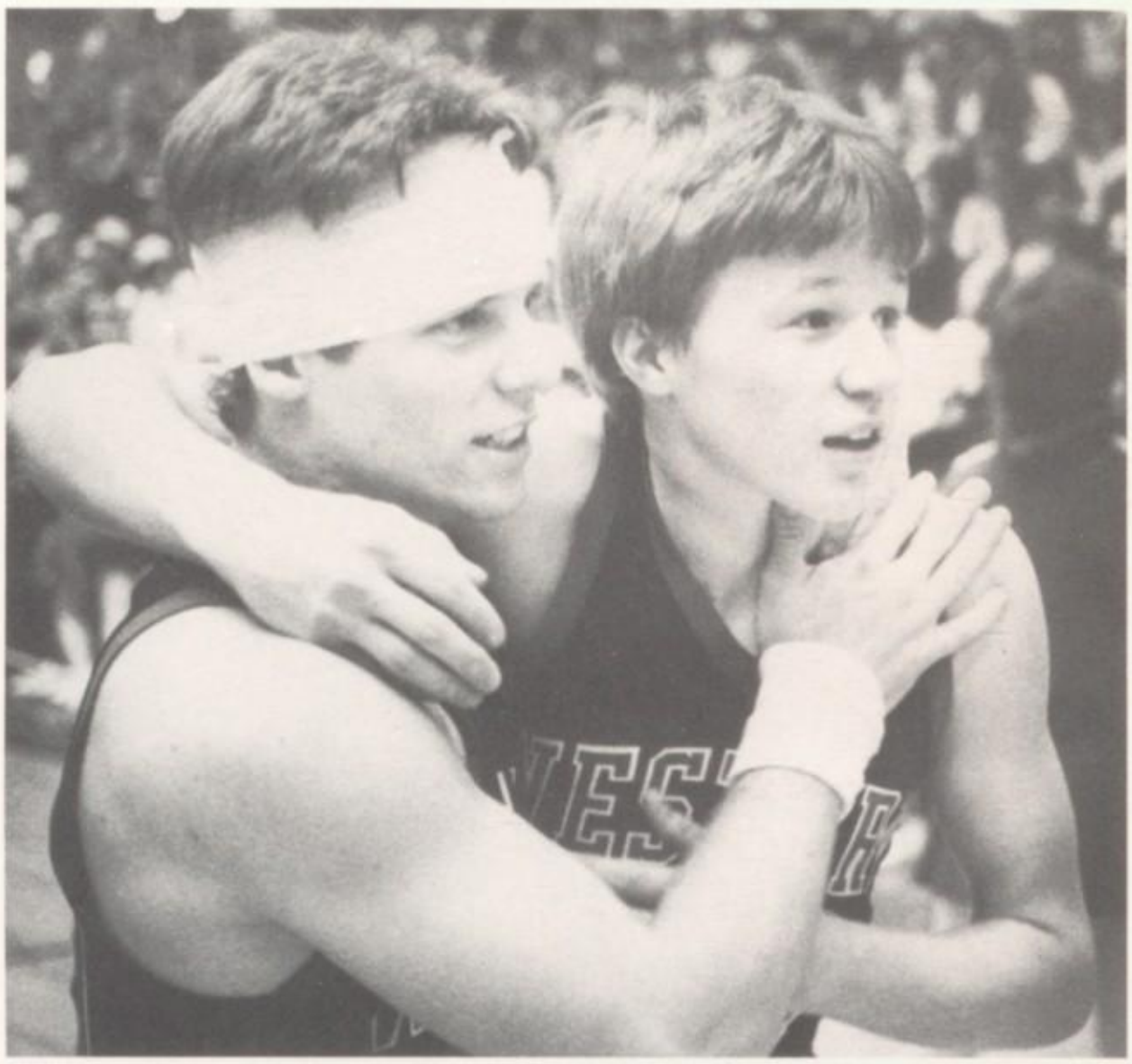
OPPONENT	
Kokomo	70-72 OT
Northwestern	81-76
Hamilton Heights	88-74
Eastern	73-46
Rossville	56-55
Eastbrook	66-49
Mississinewa	70-50
Central Catholic	52-54
Howard County Tourney	
Northwestern	40-56
Eastern	76-69
Tri-Central	77-61
Frankfort	69-65
Maconaquah	52-69
Taylor	65-62
Haworth	55-57
Harrison	64-74
Carroll	81-75
Lewis Cass	80-65
Clinton Central	85-65
Tipton	42-41
Sectional	
Eastern	47-42
Haworth	74-49
Regional	
Sheridan	45-43 OT
Anderson	63-72
Record	17-7

MEMBERS OF THE BOYS' CONFERENCE AND SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM include Front Row: Chip Brunt, Mike Bell, Mike Weideman, Dave Alley, Greg Bewley, Jeff Lipinski; Second Row: Coach Duane Keisling, Raymond Sebree, Jake Stout, Kevin Morgan, Darrin O'Neal, and trainers Chris Perry, Pat Hayes.

JUNIORS KEVIN MORGAN AND DARRIN O'NEAL celebrate following Morgan's 25-foot jumper to force the Sheridan contest into overtime. (Photo courtesy of Kokomo Tribune)

DURING THE POST-GAME CELEBRATION, Senior Chip Brunt holds a piece of the Sectional net.





Panthers capture Sectional title; struggle in Anderson Regional

Riding on a four game winning streak, Coach Duane Keisling's varsity basketball team strolled into its first Sectional title.

"Going into the tourney, we felt that we were playing well enough to win, especially since offensively we had scored at least 80 points in three of our previous four ball games. We really felt that 1983 was 'our' year," commented Keisling.

Trailing by eight points heading into the final stanza, Junior sparkplug Greg Bewley tallied eight crucial points that ignited a furious Panther comeback which enabled Keisling's crew to advance to the finals against a Haworth team which had defeated Kokomo in the battle for the "city championship."

In the title bout the Panthers took control of the Huskies in the early going and then coasted to a 74-49 championship victory behind Senior Chip Brunt's career-high 33 points.

Following a week of celebration and preparation, the team made its first trek to Anderson's Wigwam to do battle with the Sheridan Blackhawks.

"The entire week we tried to focus on Sheridan. We knew that they were a good team, but we couldn't help but think toward playing Anderson in the finals," explained Bewley.

And that little bit of anxiousness to play Anderson almost cost the team a victory over Sheridan.

With a two point overtime victory under their belts, the final obstacle in the Panthers' quest for a Regional title was the eighth-ranked Indians.

For three and a half quarters, the Panthers scrapped at the heels of the eventual state finalists. But Troy Lewis' 34 points proved to be more than Keisling's crew could handle.

"What can I say about these guys? They played a fantastic game and probably deserved to win. But the lack of rest finally took its toll and they simply ran out of gas," added Keisling.

Brunt, who led the team with 28 points in the finale, joined juniors Darrin O'Neal and Kevin Morgan on the All-Regional squad cap off a year of first's for the Panther-squad.

Curt Cavin

DESPITE THE OUTSTRETCHED ARM OF HAWORTH'S CHRIS HINES, Junior Darrin O'Neal sails through a crowd of players for an easy lay-up. (Courtesy of Kokomo Tribune).

AS SHERIDAN'S KEVIN WRIGHT PICKS UP HIS DRIBBLE, Junior Darrin O'Neal hawks the senior point guard with his hustling defense. (Photo courtesy of Kokomo Tribune).

Girls remain optimistic

As time ran out, the Panther hardwood began to fill with cheerful fans shouting out congratulations as the Lady Panthers overcame their losing streak by upsetting Northwestern in the first game of the Howard County tourney. The combination of the excitement of the fans, the homecourt advantage and the senior leadership set the atmosphere to help the Lady Panthers break their ten game losing streak and to record their first win of the season.

The Lady Panthers used a smart offense and an alert defense to prove to the Northwestern Tigers that despite their record they should not be taken too lightly. "It was our first win and we wanted it bad. It couldn't have come at a better time," commented Senior Lori Thomas.

Optimism and determination were key factors as the season progressed. "We improved as the season went on. We started working together as a team and won four of our last seven games. While our free throws improved tremendously, our offensive average went up and our errors went down," continued Thomas.

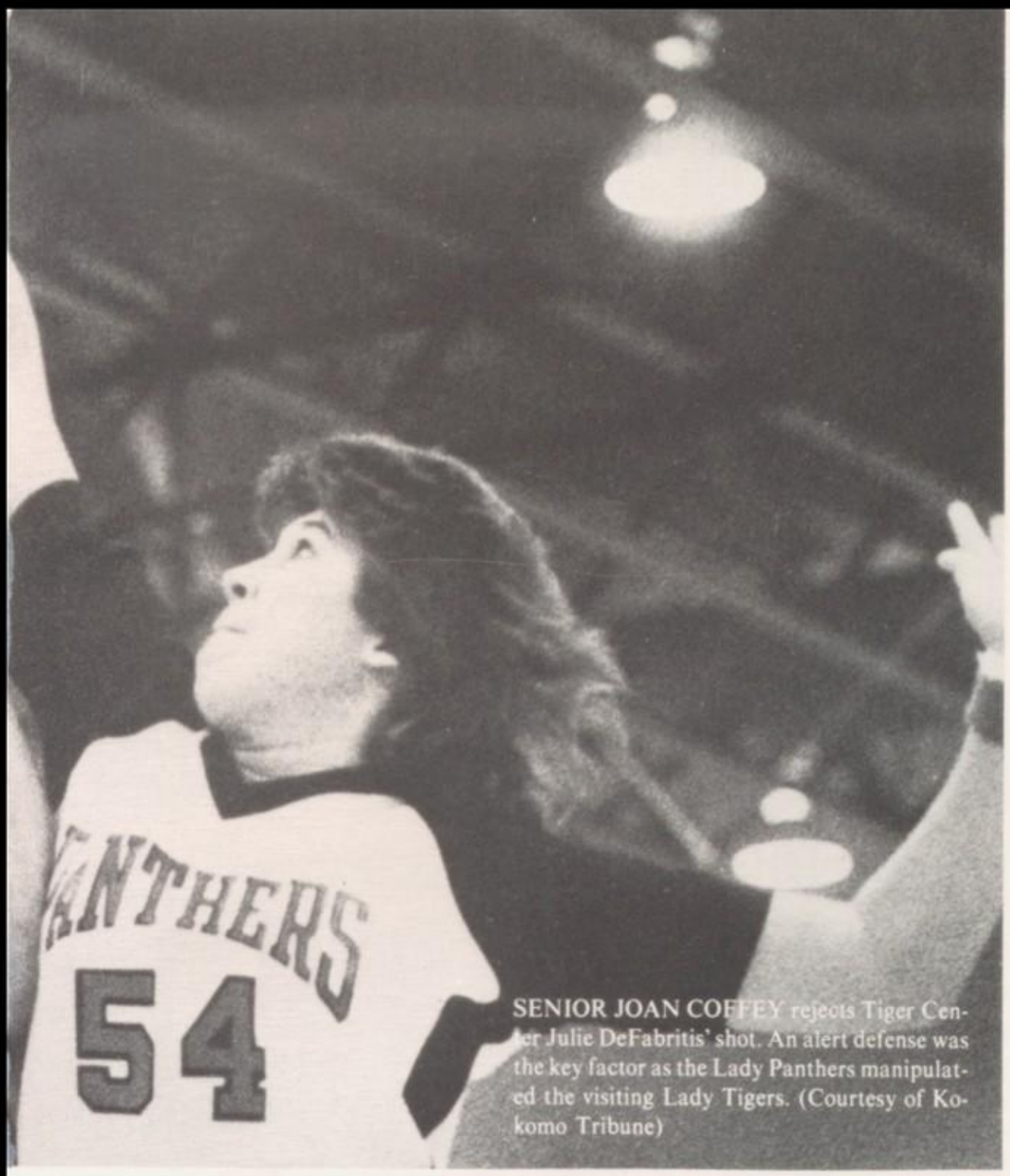
The six seniors — Joan Coffey, Lorna Harbaugh, Julie Kelly, Sherri Milburn, Cynde Winger and Thomas — provided team leadership. Coffey led the team in scoring, rebounding and blocked shots while Thomas was second in scoring and led in steals and assists. Although Milburn did not do a lot of scoring, she was commended by Coach Darlene Zinn as always giving 100 percent. Winger and Harbaugh played a big role in getting the key rebounds and Kelly provided good shooting and hustle.

"The seniors provided a lot of leadership and they will be missed. I was excited about how well the freshmen did toward the end of the season. I'm looking forward to next season, and I wish all the seniors much luck," concluded Zinn.

Cheryl Helvig

MEMBERS OF THE GIRL'S VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM ARE Front row: Mgr. Sandy O'Neal, Lorna Harbaugh, Joan Coffey, Cynde Winger, Lori Thomas, Susan Ray, Mgr. Leigh Ann Bogue; Back Row: Trainer Lisa Grimme, Barbi Bollinger, Julia Kelly, Tammy Etherington, Sherri Milburn, Misti Boodt, Coach Darlene Zinn, Mgr. Bridget Willsey.

CELEBRATION IS EVIDENT as the girls' Varsity basketball team won its first game of the season, defeating Northwestern in the first round of the Howard County Tourney.

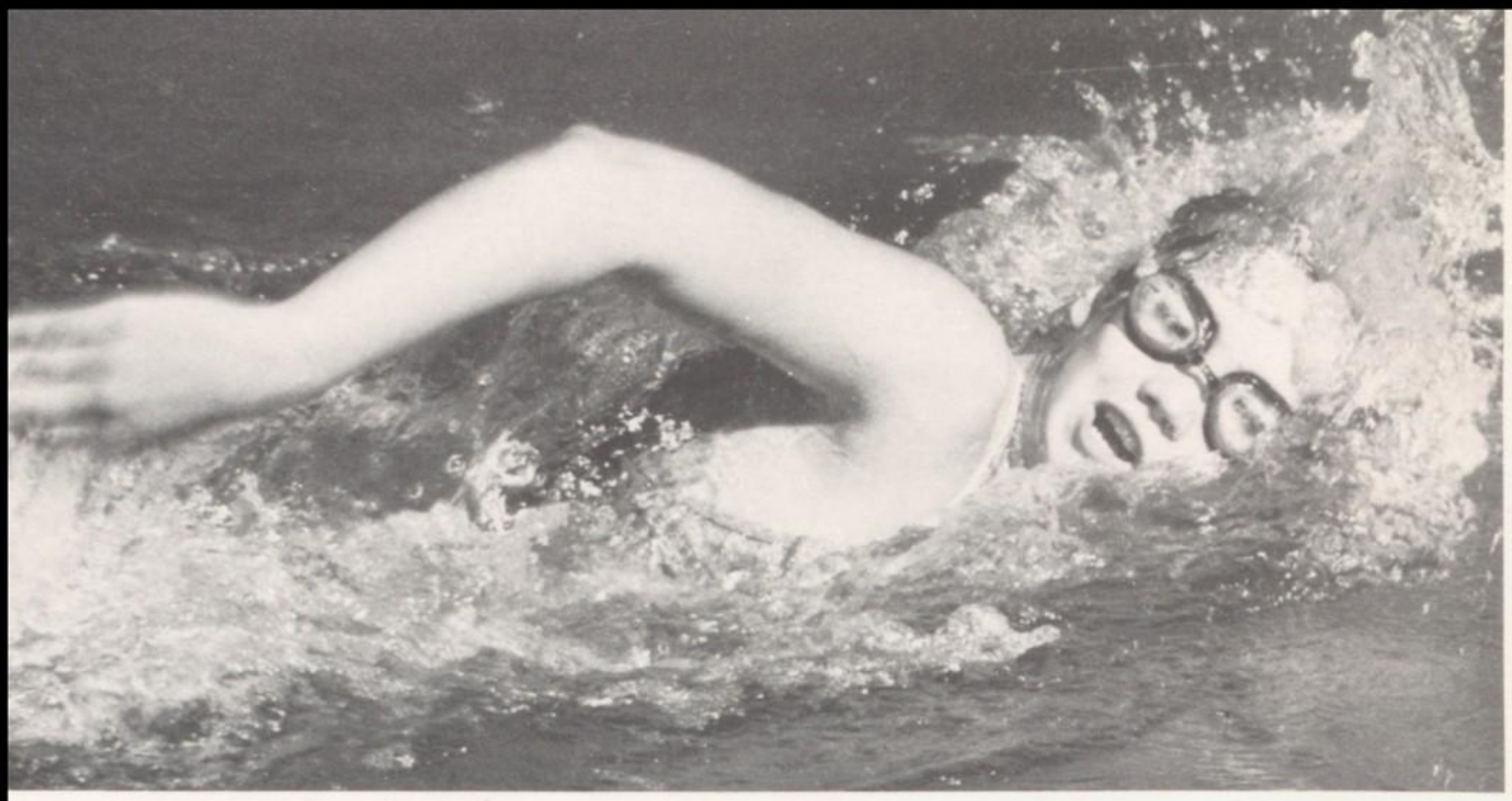


SENIOR JOAN COFFEY rejects Tiger Center Julie DeFabritis' shot. An alert defense was the key factor as the Lady Panthers manipulated the visiting Lady Tigers. (Courtesy of Kokomo Tribune)

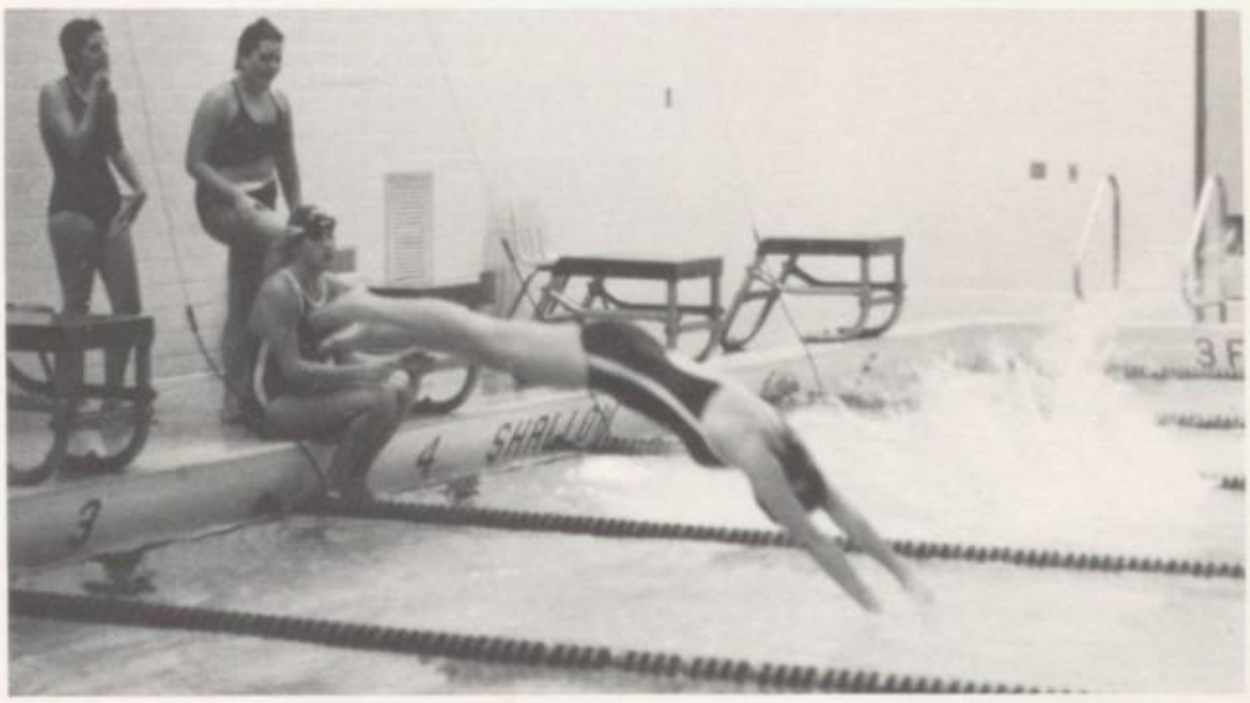
Basketball

OPPONENT	
Anderson	31-67
Northwestern	34-52
Logansport	50-52
Taylor	32-64
Kokomo	47-49
Eastbrook	49-72
Oak Hill	38-46
Carroll	39-55
Harrison	39-54
Howard County	
Northwestern	27-26
Taylor	26-49
Eastern	62-40
Haworth	43-58
Delphi	53-51
Sheridan	55-27
Cass	27-44
Tri Central	38-19
Maconaquah	35-44
Sectional	
Northwestern	36-57
Record	4-15

DOUBLE-TEAMED BY TAYLOR DEFENDERS, Senior Lori Thomas takes the jump-shot while Senior Joan Coffey blocks out the Titan's Janet Jameson underneath for the rebound.



FRESHMAN FREESTYLER SALLY SOUFFRANT is on her way to setting a personal best in the 200 free, placing her name in another record book. (Courtesy of Kokomo Tribune)



SENIOR DONNA SCHMITT prepares to warm up by taking a few practice laps before a meet against Carroll while Senior Jill Vostatek and Sophomore Tammy Gifford take a rest.

Girls' Swimming

OPPONENT	
Twin Lakes	79-44
Maconaquah Inv.	3rd
Carroll	72-45
Lewis Cass	80-45
Haworth	43-83
Eastern	80-45
Clinton Central	86-38
Frankfort	84-43
Western Inv.	4th
Northwestern	68-59
Maconaquah	68-61
Lafayette Cen. Cath.	79-44
Kokomo	71-54

Record: 10-1

GIRLS' SWIM TEAM MEMBERS are Front Row: Dawn Kirkendall, Nancy Jackson, Sherri Myers; Second Row: Samantha Gifford, Robin Helton, Jessica Bryant, Tammy Gifford, Liza Chen; Back Row: Coach Ed Glick, Dena Schmitt, Lisa Kniebes, Donna Schmitt, Charise Keyes, Jill Vostatek.

Long practices pay off

IN ROUTE TO THE FINISH OF THE 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY, Sophomore Kyle Street comes up for a breath. His blue ribbon effort helped defeat Carroll in the Panther Pond.

Boys' Swimming

OPPONENT	
Northwestern Relays	2nd
Marion Inv.	1st
Harrison	79-48
Carroll	73-48
Maconaquah	72-55
Delphi	75-46
Logansport	72-52
Lewis Cass	68-53
Western Inv.	3rd
Lewis Cass Inv.	2nd
Kokomo	45-81
Marrion/Jeff	144-99-67
Twin Lakes	78-46
Eastern	74-50
West Lafayette	50-76
Northwestern	78-49
Carroll Inv.	1st
Sectional	3rd

Record: 11-2

Four hours a day of concentrated practice may seem a bit too strenuous to most, but for the girls and boys swim teams it was very much a reality. At 6:30 each morning the stillness of the water in the Panther Pond was interrupted by splashes as the swimmers began practicing their strokes. After 45 minutes of swimming, they dragged their bodies from the water's surface and struggled over to the weightroom for 45 minutes of weightlifting, but this was not all. The routine started over again after school and lasted until about 6:00 in the evening.

During the girls' season, numerous school records were broken and the team finished a very respectable fifth place at Sectional. Freshman and first year diver Jessica Bryant set a new freshman diving record and placed fifth at Sectional while Sophomore Charise Keyes set a new record in the 100-yard backstroke. Four varsity records — 50, 100, 200, and 500 free styles — and six freshman records were set by Freshman Sally Souffrant.

Souffrant was unanimously chosen as the Most Valuable Swimmer and was the school's first girl to ever place at the State meet. "She was chosen after practically rewriting the record boards, winning two events at Sectional and scoring at the State meet," said Coach Ed Glick. Souffrant commented, "I was satisfied with my 200 free time at State, but my disappointment came in the 500 free when I placed thirteenth. Only the top 12 qualifiers were able to swim in the final." All the hard work and dedication proved to pay-off and was a mere reflection of a very successful season.

Several members of the boys' swimming squad also made it to the State meet as well as competing in a close Sectional.

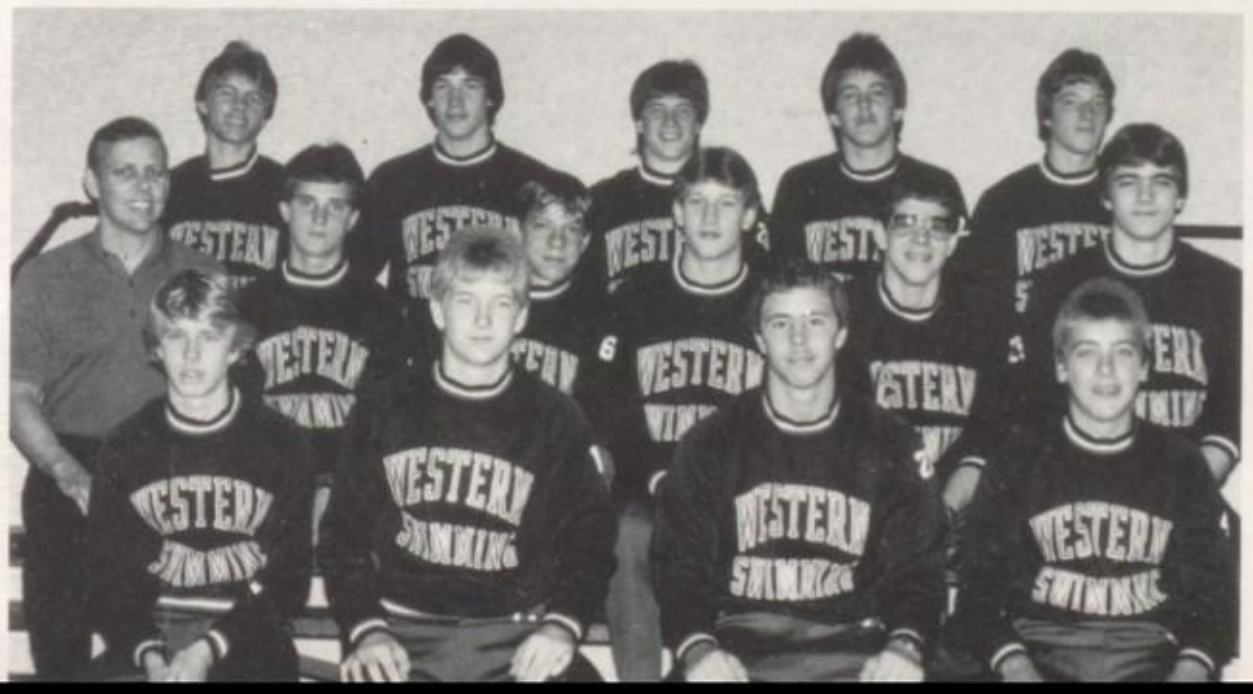
Senior Rod Maddox competed in the diving competition while juniors Tim Hanson and Todd Holder and sophomores Bill Wyant and Jeff Glick also competed in the 400 free relay. Glick also competed in the 200 individual medley and 500 free style. All five made a good showing, but none made the finals. Coach Glick commented, "We did fair at the State meet, but we got the experience of being there."

The Sectional proved to be the highlight of the season. The rugged Panthers took third by only a few points, placing behind a tough Haworth team. "The highlight was Sectional prelims when our team had 23 out of 24 best times, and we also had a shot at beating Haworth," commented Sophomore Jeff Glick.

The swim team was fairly young; 14 of the 16 members were underclassmen, but that did not stop the team from having a superior season. Coach Glick commented, "We had three outstanding swimmers that led in scoring this year — Tim Hanson, Todd Holder and Jeff Glick. Also Rod Maddox did an outstanding job all season."

The swim team had an outstanding season that was successful not only for those who participated at the State meet, but for all those who competed throughout the season.

Cheryl Helvig/Kris Kelly



BOYS' SWIM TEAM includes Front Row: Dave Dankert, John Donahue, Trent Rice, Jeff Glick; Second Row: Coach Ed Glick, Gregg Svoma, Kyle Street, Paul Hanson, Chris Fulk, Bill Wyant; Back Row: Mike Williams, Tim Hanson, Todd Holder, Scott Bowers, Rod Maddox.

One stride at a time for young team

With the new track facilities, the girls' varsity track team was ready for the season to begin.

One of the main disadvantages for the track team was the few number of girls that went out for the team. With only 16 girls on the team, the girls knew it would be a long season. The other disadvantage plaguing the team was that outstanding miler Senior Sherri Milburn was sidelined with an injury for almost the entire season. "We were better than what our record showed. We got along well as a team and everyone was willing to give one hundred percent," commented Senior Sprinter Lorna Harbaugh.

The sprints were led by seniors Robin Helton and Lorna Harbaugh, sophomores Sharyl Linton, Kim Wells and Sharon TeRonde and Freshman Barby Bolinger. Junior Becky Murchison turned in a fine performance in the hurdles. The distance races were run by Senior Sherri Milburn, Junior Misty Rawles, and sophomores Dee Dee Moore and Kathy Ulshafer. The field events were led by Senior Annie Holmes, shot put; Junior Susan Ray, discus; Sophomore Lori Byrum, high jump; and Sophomore Sharyl Linton, long jump.

"Some girls came through when we needed them, but the stronger girls who would have carried the team ended up with injuries. With only four seniors, the younger girls gained valuable experience," added Coach Lynn Hale.

Melanie Bowlin/Cheryl Helvig

MEMBERS OF THE GIRLS' TRACK TEAM are Front Row: Susan Ray, Lorna Harbaugh, Sherri Milburn, Lori Byrum, Chris Tingle, Robin Helton, Barby Bolinger, Becky Murchison; Back Row: Mgr. Debbie Thieke, Mgr. Sandy O'Neal, Sharon TeRonde, Sharyl Linton, Misti Rawles, Kathy Ulshafer, Sherri Wells, Dee Dee Moore, Mgr. Michelle Tillman, Coach Lynn Hale.

Girls' Track

OPPONENT	
Tri Central	58-47
Eastern	65-40
Taylor	39-66
Maconaquah	45-60
Howard County	3rd of 4
Oak Hill Relays	5th
Northwestern	67-38
MIC	5th of 6
Kokomo/Haworth	3rd of3

Record: 2-7

JUNIOR HURDLER BECKY MURCHISON sprints her way to the two remaining hurdles in a Mid Indiana Conference meet against the Maconaquah Braves. Murchison went on to win the race and Sophomore Sharon TeRonde followed close behind. Despite their finishes, Western lost the meet 45-60 which put them 0-2 in the conference race.

OFFICIALS ACKNOWLEDGE that long distance runner Junior Misti Rawles has one lap to go in the 800 meter run at Owen's Memorial Field against Lewis Cass.

SOPHOMORE LONG JUMPER SHARYL LINTON makes her mark and takes first place in the long jump pit in the season's opening meet against Tri Central.

JUST A FEW STRIDES behind the visiting Maconaquah Braves in the 800 meter relay, Senior Sprinter Robin Helton hands the baton to Sophomore Sharon TeRonde.

Crippled seniors handicap thinlies

Injuries and illnesses are problems that all teams must avoid or overcome on the path to a successful season. But when Coach Joe Orr's tracksters were faced with a handful of handicapped seniors, they couldn't muster enough talent to outrun their opponents.

"We simply had too many key seniors either hurt or sick and with our lack of depth, we couldn't overcome their absence," explained Orr. "Our mile relay team, which should have been one of our strongest events, had three seniors — Mark Dunkin, Bill White and Lance Rice — out for most of the year."

The ineffectiveness of these three seniors, along with classmate John Gabbard, the team's top 800 and 1600 meter runner who was sidelined for three weeks with a middle ear infection, proved to be the doom of the boys' track team.

But in the midst of the misfortune of the team, individual success did prevail. In particular, one school record went by the wayside following the recovery of one of the co-captains. In addition to being named as the Most Valuable Athlete, Bill White etched his name into the record books by shattering the 110-meter high hurdle record. White's blistering time of 15.8 came at the hands of the Northwestern Tigers.

At the beginning of the season, Orr figured that his strong suite would be his group of talented distance runners and that the team would be hurting for points in the sprinting and field events. But that was definitely not the case.

First-year sprinters Brian Hopwood, junior, and Pat Lennon, senior, and Sophomore rookie Cary Holt joined together to capture several blue ribbons in the dual meets and placed well in the bigger meets. Junior Rob Eldridge and Sophomore Mark Wesson teamed up to finish 1-2 in the shot put in the Howard County meet.

"Going into the season, I had no idea that Cary Holt even existed. But along with Hopwood and Lennon, we were able to score a lot of points in the shorter running events. Also, we didn't have a pole vaulter until Scott Freeman, sophomore, decided to give it a try, and he ended up scoring in over half of the dual meets which was definitely a pleasant surprise," commented Orr.

The big disappointment came via the tandem of distance runners who were coming off a Conference championship cross country season.

"With Gabbard on the injured list, two cross country lettermen choosing not to run track and Brian Weeks not running up to his potential, we were really hurting. Freshman Gregg Svoma and Sophomore Dave Troyer performed pretty well and were forced to carry the load. Also, Senior Curt Cavin and Sophomore Dave Rivers probably didn't help out as much as I would have liked to have," added Orr.

Curt Cavin

PRIOR TO HIS EAR INFECTION, Senior John Gabbard wins the mile run against Taylor.

SENIOR LANCE RICE outruns Eastern's Todd Moser and Northwestern's Carl Degler in the 400-meter relay at the Howard Country meet. (Photo courtesy of Kokomo Tribune)

AS HIS TEAMMATES LOOK ON, Sophomore thrower Mark Wesson releases the shot, attempting to attain the necessary distance to qualify for the Sectional.

WITH HIS SIGHTS SET ON THE FINISH LINE, Senior co-captain Bill White clears the final hurdle in an attempt to break the school record of 16 seconds.

MEMBERS OF THE BOYS' TRACK TEAM are Front Row: John Gabbard, Brian Weeks, Lance Rice, Mark Dunkin, Bill White, Pat Lennon; Second Row: Trent Rice, Steve Querry, Brian Hopwood, Jeff Newlin, Ted Ashburn, Dave Troyer, Rob Conyers, Gregg Svoma, Scott Freeman; Third Row: Coach Bill Dickison, Aron Mendenahll, Jeff Wicks, Cary Holt, Jeff Hendershot, Mark Wesson, Rob Eldridge, Chris Fulk, Larry Free, Dan Bennett, Coach Joe Orr.

BOYS' TRACK

OPPONENT	
Tipton	Win
Maconaquah	Win
Taylor	Win
Haworth	Loss
Muncie Relays	8th of 8
Eastern	Win
Kokomo Relays	6th of 8
Howard County	3rd of 4
Oak Hill Relays	6th of 8
Northwestern	Loss
MIC	6th of 6
Sectional	17th of 20

Record: 4-2

SOPHOMORE K.C. LENNON heads for home as Coach Ty Calloway offers encouragement.

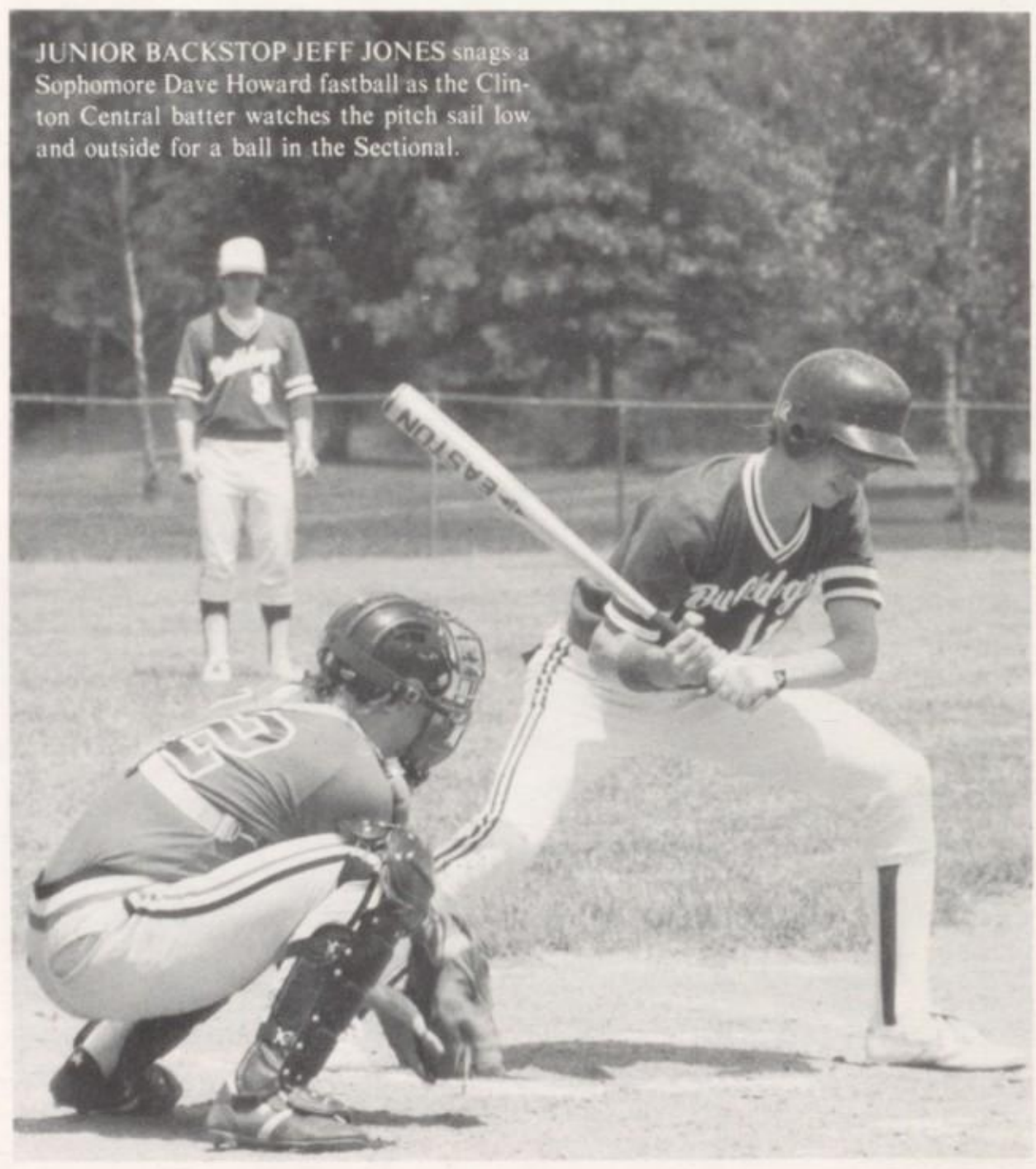
JUNIOR CENTERFIELDER DARRIN O'NEAL slides into the dust towards the base as Taylor's second basemen Bill Mason awaits the ball. (Tribune Photo)

Baseball

OPPONENT	
Kokomo	3-5
Tipton	2-4
Peru	9-6
Clinton Central	12-2
Clinton Central	6-12
Eastern	4-7
Taylor	0-12
Oak Hill	11-19
Eastbrook	6-4
Lewis Cass	6-2
Frankfort	8-0
Frankfort	9-3
Northwestern	1-17
Maconaquah	5-8
Carroll	8-7
Taylor	0-8
Westfield	1-3
Northwestern	4-8
Lewis Cass	9-10
Sheridan	5-0
Eastbrook	6-7
Maconaquah	8-7
Sectional	
Frankfort	6-1
Clinton Central	11-8
Clinton Prairie	6-5

Record: 13-12

JUNIOR BACKSTOP JEFF JONES snags a Sophomore Dave Howard fastball as the Clinton Central batter watches the pitch sail low and outside for a ball in the Sectional.



Youthful team overcomes frustrations

As the spring season rolled around, 22 opening wins by last years baseball team was on the minds of all of the fans. Ending the season as the state's fourth ranked team had been quite an accomplishment. But the past was far from the mind of Coach Ty Calloway, who was about to field the youngest, most inexperienced team that he had ever sent into action.

"We knew from the start that in order for us to be successful, our young guys had to improve," explained Calloway.

And after losing six of their first eight, things began to turn around.

The key to the gradual improvement was Junior Darrin O'Neal. O'Neal, the team's center fielder, led the squad in hitting (.409), stolen bases (16), and clobbered 7 homeruns. He was later named as the team's MVP.

With O'Neal's leadership, along with the improvement of the talented underclassmen, the team traveled to Frankfort seeking their first Sectional win since they captured three consecutive titles in 1979, '80 and '81.

Following Senior Jake Stout's first pitching victory of the season in the opener against Frankfort, Sophomore hurler Dave Howard turned in a strong effort to keep the team close with Clinton Central. But it took a ninth inning rally, including key extra basehits by Stout and O'Neal to nail down the Bulldogs.

In the finale, Calloway's troops fell behind quickly to defending champion Clinton Prairie. But capping off the sixth inning, Senior Chip Brunt cracked an RBI-double to knot the game at five.

Following two and a half scoreless innings, the Panthers loaded the bases bringing Junior Tim O'Neal to the plate. O'Neal delivered his fourth hit in five at bats as his jubilant teammates came charging out of the dugout to celebrate their Sectional championship win.

"Winning this topped off what has been a very frustrating year," Calloway added. "We could have wilted, but we came back."

By winning, the team traveled to Lafayette to face McCutcheon in the opener of the Regional.

Curt Cavin

MEMBERS OF THE VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM are Front Row: Tom Bliss, manager; Doug Tinsley, Ron Brantley, Jeff Jones, Darrin O'Neal, K.C. Lennon, Jim Kesterson, Scott Long; Back Row: Coach Ty Calloway, Rod Boles, Tim Hanson, Kevin Morgan, Chip Brunt, Jake Stout, Dave Howard, Tim O'Neal, Jeff Lipinski, Coach Ron Phillips.

BAT GIRLS are Front Row: Angie Abendroth, Karen Chambers; Back Row: Marsha Long, Dawn Harrison, Laurel Carter.

Golf team qualifies for Regional

The golf team turned in one of the best seasons they've ever had. One of the highlights of the season was qualifying as a team for the Regional. In doing so, they defeated three teams ranked in the top 10 in the state.

Not only did they qualify for the Regional, but they also won the Howard County championship, the MIC title, the Frankton Invitational championship and finished second in the Sectional to the number one ranked team in the state, the Haworth Huskies.

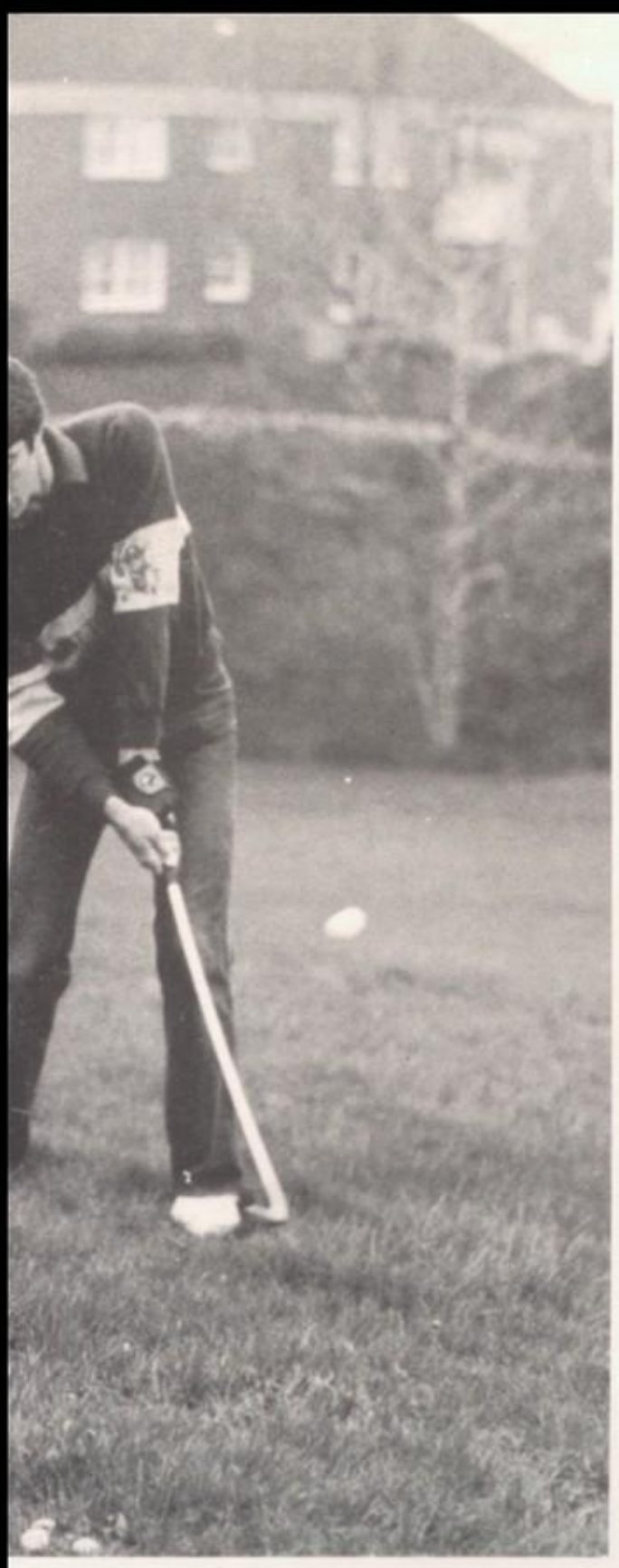
Junior Darin Ashcraft was named most improved player. "He was very consistent and his scores improved drastically from last year," commented Coach Charles Wolf.

Wolf concluded, "This year's golf team was the best overall team we have had here at Western."

Chip Brunt

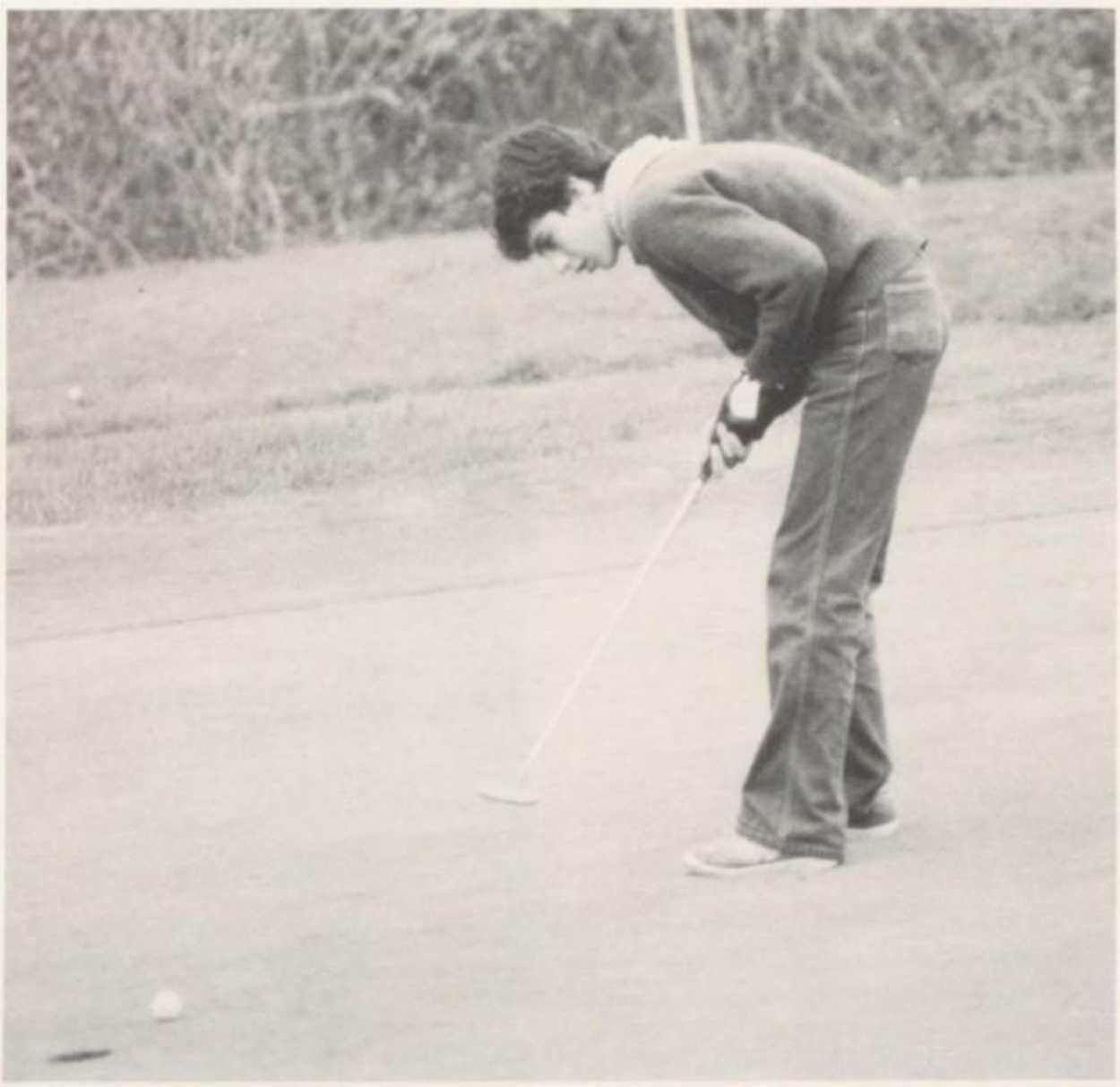
PREPARING TO DRIVE HIS BALL OFF THE TEE into the enormous amount of fairway, Senior co-captain Mike LaLonde hits off the fourth tee at Green Acres golf course.

TAKING A WALK IN THE OPEN FAIRWAY, Freshman Kirt VanLue looks around for his ball.



JUNIOR DARIN ASHCRAFT, selected by Coach Charles Wolf as the Most Improved golfer, follows through with a chip-shot toward the green on the Green Acres golf course.

SOPHOMORE VARSITY GOLFER JERRY FIRTH concentrates on making an attempt to sink a ten foot putt on the seventeenth hole during the match with Harrison and McCutcheon.



MEMBERS OF THE GOLF TEAM are Front Row: Steve Oakley, Tim Agal, Jeff Glick, Jerry Firth, Kirt VanLue; Back Row: Todd Brittain, Scott Bowers, Jeff Tuchscherer, Mike LaLonde, Darin Ashcraft, Blake Rollins, Dave Hudson.

Golf

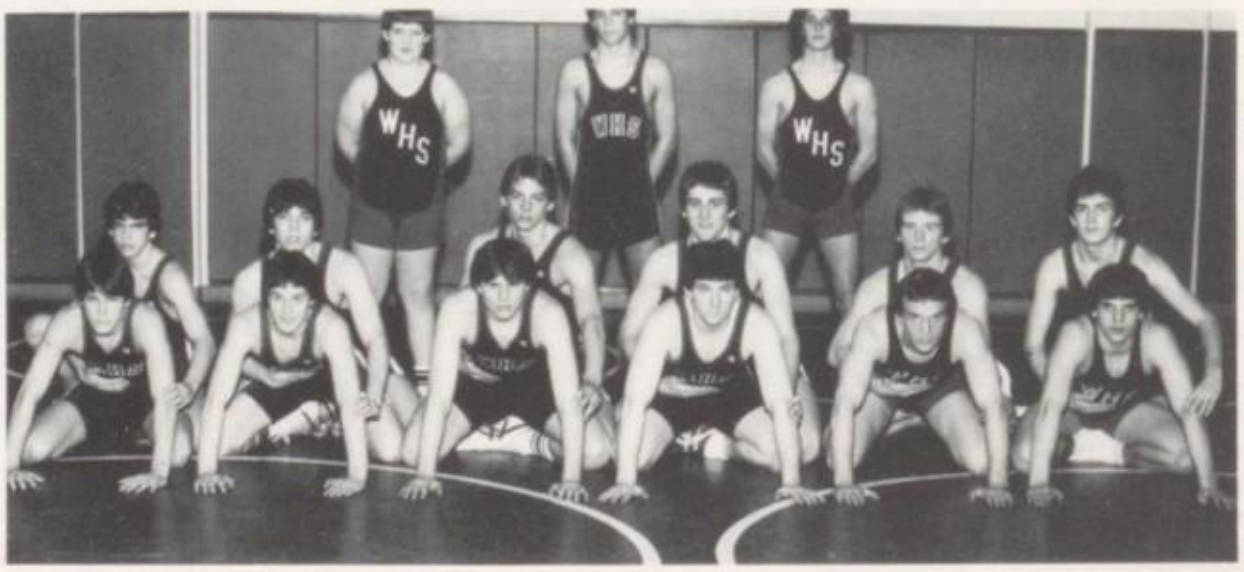
OPPONENT	
Maconaquah	187-198
Haworth	323-360
Sheridan	79- 97
Delphi	170-197
Cass	343-389
Tipton	336-326
Eastbrook/Taylor	161-172-183
Howard County	1st of 4
Carroll	323-399
Frankton Inv.	1st of 12
MIC	1st of 6
Harrison/McCutcheon	350-356-355
Tri Central	163-174
Sectional	2nd
Regional	13th of 20

Record: 12-4-1

JV PLAYERS STRUGGLE THROUGH MATCHES as hard-fought as those of the varsity teams.

MEMBERS OF THE JV BASEBALL TEAM are Front Row: Brian Grider, Doug LaLonde, Tim Fenimore, Dusty Huntly, Jon Anderson, Chad Armstrong; Back Row: Coach Jeff Pavey, LeAlan Morgan, Kelly Knepley, Joe Arney, Ricky Bearden, Ricky Sanders, Tim Hanson, Scott Brunt, Joe McGinnis, Coach Steve Hoppes.

JV BASKETBALL MEMBERS are Front Row: Scott Brunt, Dave Howard, Mark Wesson, Ricky Sanders, Kelly Knepley; Back row: Coach Ty Calloway, Ty Thomas, Scott Long, K.C. Lennon, Jim Kesterson, Ricky Reardon, Trainer Greg King.



JV WRESTLING TEAM MEMBERS are Front Row: Mike Love, Jon Anderson, Tracey Free, Jim Boehm, Ray Shepherd, Mike Kirkendall; Second Row: David Conyers, Aron Mendenhall, Ted Ashburn, Robert Eldridge, Jim Reser, Troy Gaylor; Back Row: David Ashenfelter, Mark Love, Brian Gilbert.

JV players struggle for valuable wins

When most people go to an athletic event, they don't go to see the junior varisty game. Most fans go to see the varsity team play. To many people, the junior varsity teams do not seem to be of much importance, but they really are. These teams are the building blocks for great and talented varsity teams. These JV players work just as hard as their varsity counterparts to earn victories.

Junior varsity teams give players the experience needed to play on a varsity team. Sophomore Sharon TeRonde stated, "I think it is good to be on junior varsity because it gives me more playing time and experience. Then when I do get on a varsity team, I'll be better."

A spot on a junior varsity squad can also be a training ground for a young athlete. "Every athlete needs a place to perfect his fundamentals. Playing JV gives him a chance to do that without the added pressure of being on the varsity on him," explained Mr. Steve Hoppes, junior varsity baseball coach.

Junior varsity action can also make an athlete excel and strive for perfection. Current junior varsity level teams breed talented athletes to make successful varsity teams for the future.

Curt Cavin/Kris Kelly

JV VOLLEYBALL MEMBERS INCLUDE Front Row: Lori Farlow, Christi Tackett, Jennifer Grubb, Melissa Walton, Amanda Hoepner; Back Row: Coach Lynda Murphy, Angie Boruff, Sharon TeRonde, Tammy Collier, Jane Kendall, Jessica Bryant, Marie Toney.

JV GIRL'S BASKETBALL TEAM CONSISTS of Front Row: Michelle Tillman, Barby Bolinger, Kelli Hardi, Connie Cottingham, Jennifer Grubb, Back Row: Trainer Sandy O'Neal, Marie Toney, Sheryl Linton, Lisa Huffman, Misty Boodt, Coach Linda Murphy.

JV CHEERLEADERS are Lori Weir, Angie Abendroth, Karen Chambers, Cathy Perry, Stacey Ashcraft, Kelly Bell.

Cheerleading involves time, hard work

Being a varsity cheerleader or Grapplette involved more than just showing up at the games. Enthusiasm, spirit and hard work also went into the job.

Decorating lockers and holding pep sessions for the football and basketball teams were just a few of many things the cheerleaders and sponsor Susie Wells did to raise the spirits of not only the players but of the student body too.

In order to learn techniques and cheers used to raise school spirit, the varsity squad spent four days at camp at Ball State University. The girls received the Spirit Award and earned the right to compete at the National Cheerleading Competition in Michigan. The six-girl squad practiced the cheers they learned in the summer and twice a week during school so they could keep the teams' and fans' spirits up throughout the year.

While the cheerleaders went to camp at Ball State, the Grapplettes went to Tennessee. For five days, they competed against several different squads in which they won the Spirit Stick award, two red ribbons and one blue.

The major change in the Grapplette program was the elimination of four Grapplettes. Sponsor Mrs. Paula Adair commented, "The transportation and uniform cost was getting too expensive. It was also easier to work with eight girls, and they worked better together as a group."

One of the many things that the Grapplettes did to raise the Wrestlers' spirit was to decorate their lockers. Also, the squad decorated the locker room for the Invitational and gave them stockings for Christmas.

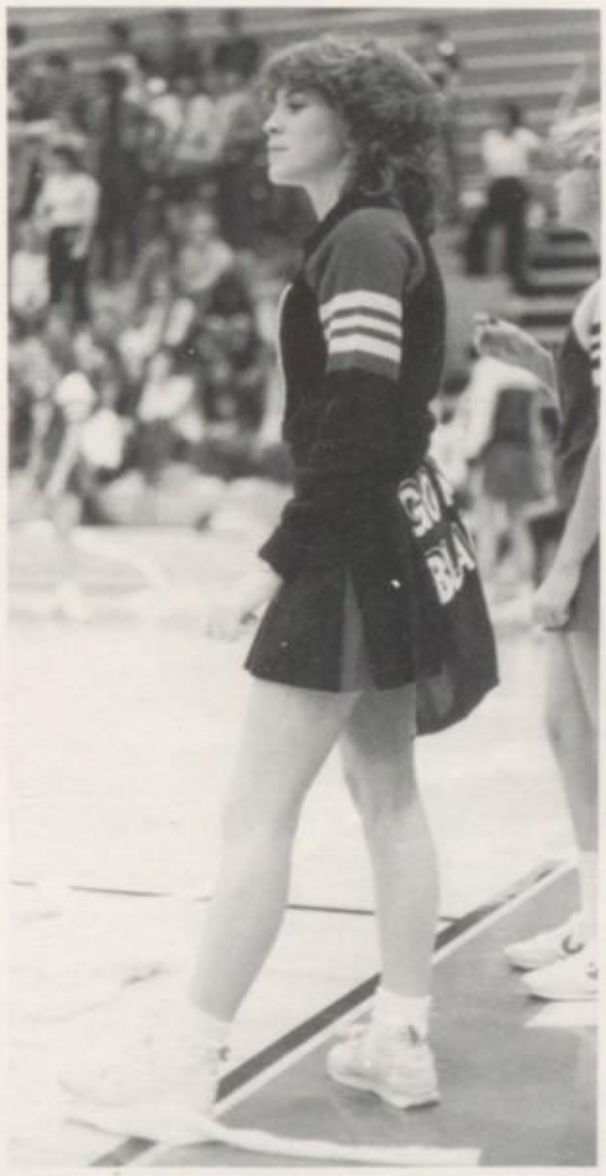
Whether the teams were winning or losing, the main goal of the cheerleaders and Grapplettes was to keep the spirits of the players and fans alive.

Kristi Kelly/Melanie Bowlin

MEMBERS OF THE VARSITY CHEERLEADING SQUAD include Front row: Julie Swartz, Dawn Coomer; Back row: Jenny Maenpa, Susan Fenimore, Kim Hill, Susan Wise. Selling candy and holding dances are just a few of the many things varsity cheerleaders do to raise money as they can decorate the lockers of football and basketball players.

DURING A HOME BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL GAME, Seniors Julie Swartz and Kim Hill show their spirit and energy for a victory over the Eastern Comets, long-time rival.

AT THE ALL-STAR CHEERLEADING CAMP in Cincinnati, Ohio, the Grapplette squad perfected its cheerleading techniques and brought home new spirit raising ideas. Members of the Grapplettes include Front Row: Debbie Day, Monica Boruff, Michelle Ennis, Karna Anderson, Tammi Hays; Back Row: Jill Vostatek, Lori Byrum, Kim Gilbert.



JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADER CATHY PERRY, junior, shows her spirit for the basketball team by wearing a "GO BIG BLACK" sign during a pep session in the high school gym.

DURING THE BOYS' SECTIONAL BASKETBALL GAME, juniors Susan Fenimore and Dawn Coomer and Senior Kim Hill display enthusiasm with a rousing cheer during a time out.

a little bit of **social growth**

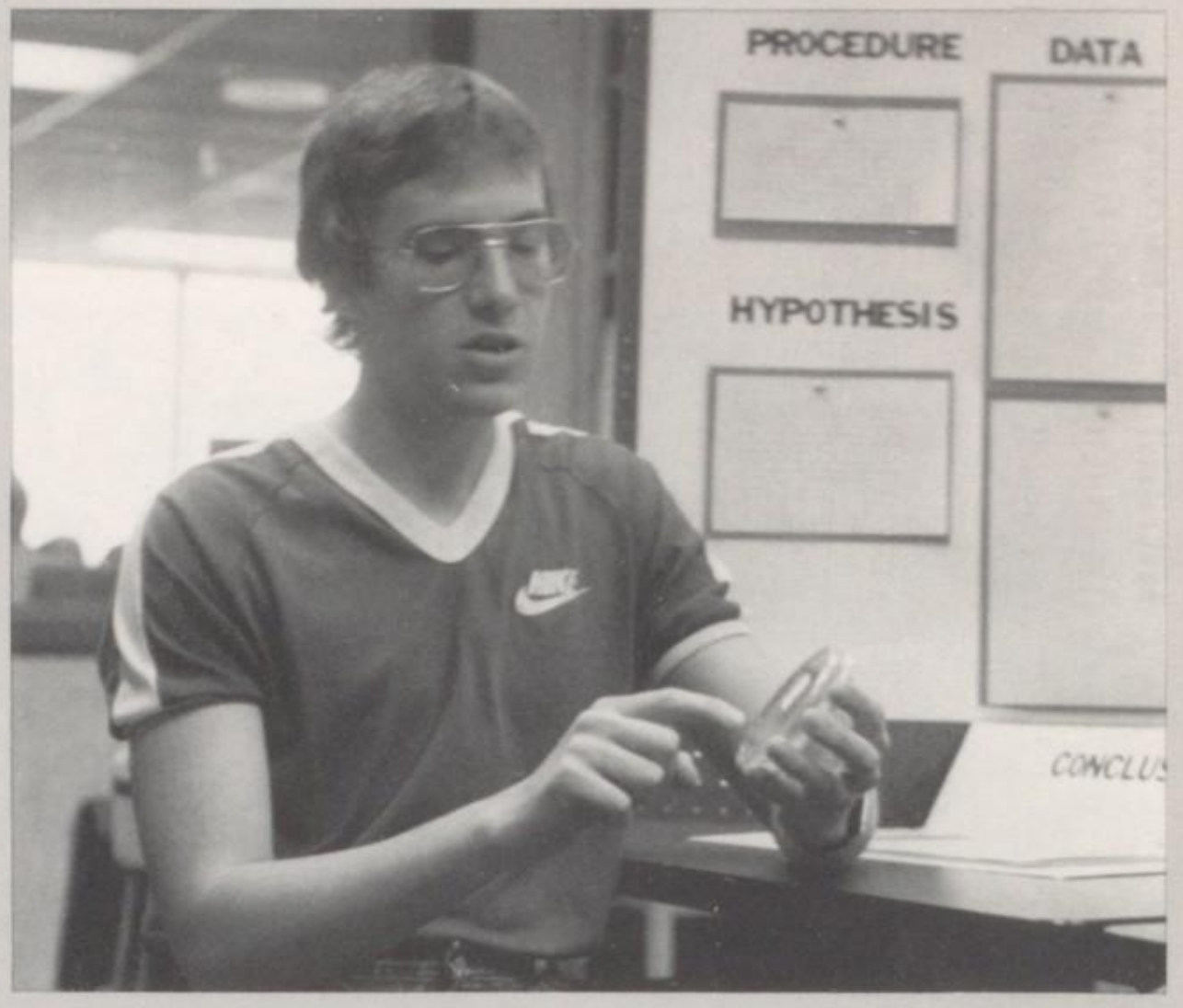
Although the acknowledged aim of school was to help each student gain an education, it also gave students a chance to develop leadership qualities and to interact with fellow classmates by providing school-sponsored clubs. These activities usually organized around students various talents and interests kept members busy as they sold candy, went on trips and threw parties.

Some organizations endeavored to help give aid and enjoyment to both students and community citizens. The Student Council sponsored a blood drive for the Red Cross, and students 17 years and older could donate. The Council also provided the student body with a HI-C machine in the cafeteria. To aid foreign exchange students from area high schools in becoming acquainted with one another, the Foreign Language Club sponsored its annual Foreign Exchange Day, giving its members and exchange students a chance to learn more about life in other countries.

Clubs such as these made it possible for students to learn to work with each other, thus providing them with "a little bit of 'social' growth."

Kim Rivers

EAGERLY AWAITING ANOTHER VICTORY FOR THE PANTHER NETTERS, Senior varsity cheerleader Jenny Maenpa leads the Panther Block in a rousing spirit cheer during a home game.



IN AN EFFORT TO GAIN A FEW EXTRA-CREDIT POINTS in chemistry, Junior Chris Perry displays his carefully constructed science project at the club sponsored science fair.

DURING A POIGNANT SCENE in the Drama Club's play CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN, Junior Becky Pecen reveals to Senior Terri Banjak that her father does not have long to live.

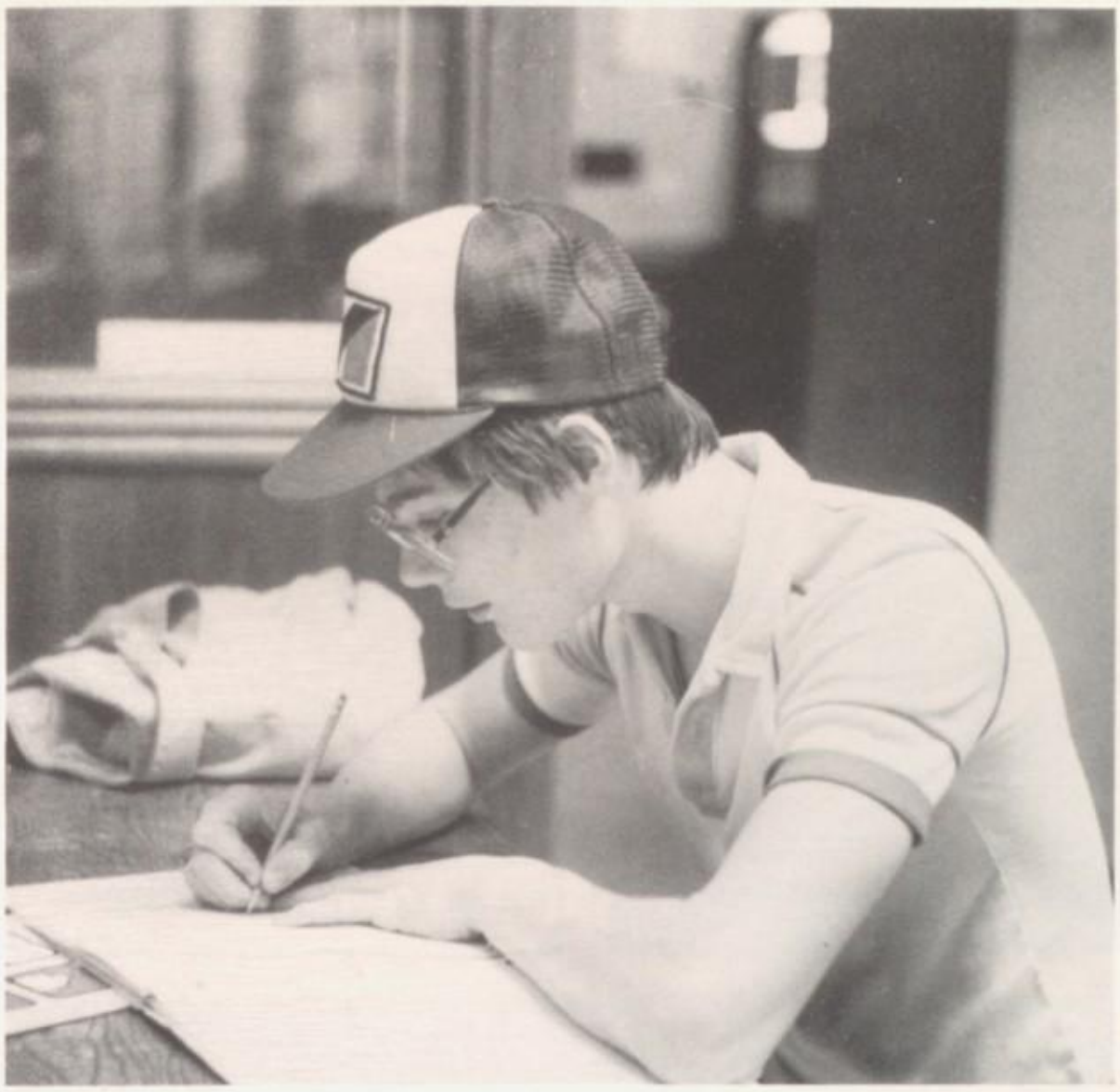
MEMBERS OF THE WESTERNAIRES go "a wassailing" as they perform a Madrigal number for the intermediate students while dressed in authentic-looking Old English costumes.

LEADING THE INSTRUMENT BEARING MEMBERS OF THE MARCHING BAND, the Color Guard, Flag Corps and Westernettes carefully set the formation for the football pre-game show.

STRUGGLING VALIANTLY WITH UNCOOPERATIVE RIBBON, Sophomore Kelly Stevens endeavors to form a bow for the popcorn decanters made by her Junior Achievement company.

LEARNING ABOUT PLANES AND PILOTING are the main objectives of the "Flying Squirrels," an Explorers post, as member Sophomore Dave Troyer demonstrates in the cockpit of a plane.

CONCENTRATING INTENTLY ON HER MUSIC, Sophomore Mindy Harvey demonstrates the fine art of "doubling" in handbell choir at Grace United Methodist Church.



SENIOR MATT THOMAS finds that community activities can resemble school work as he records figures in his Vice-President of Marketing book in Junior Achievement.

Students find interests in community

Participating in extracurricular activities took up a major part of many students' free time. But not all of these students were involved in school-related organizations. Some students found groups that sparked their curiosity and imagination outside the traditional round of school-sponsored clubs and sports.

There were many such activities around Howard County. Some of the better known ones were 4-H, 4-H Junior Leaders, Junior Achievement, Girl and Boy Scouts, and Explorers. These groups often had specific skill and idea objectives that could be learned at meetings. Many churches also offered activities such as youth groups, choirs and sports teams in which students could become quite easily involved as much so as in school groups. Senior Marcy Harvey, who was a member of Morrison Memorial Bell Choir, MYF, Four Belles and Epworth Choral at Grace Methodist Church, said, "Most of my activities outside of school are through church — so much so that when I'm not 'living at school' I'm 'living at church.' "

Some students found ways to pursue interests more intensely in activities outside of school. Senior Sherri Milburn, a member of the school's volleyball, basketball and track teams, was involved in several sports-related groups outside of school, such as ASA softball and several roadrunning clubs. She said she enjoyed participating in community activities because they gave her the chance to "meet other people and to learn more than the subjects offered at school."

Whatever their reasons for joining, most students found community activities a great way to meet people from other schools they would never have met otherwise. Senior Lisa Maugans commented, "Community activities give me a chance to be involved in things with new and different people. I've got to meet students from other schools through these activities, such as 4-H Junior Leaders."

Although participating in community activities seldom won students schoolwide recognition, students found reward for their time and effort in the ideas and people to which they were introduced.

Kim Rivers

Selective clubs experience changes

With a little bit of growth comes a little bit of change. Both change and growth were evident in many clubs, including those selective ones. These clubs not only grew in size and leadership but also brought about change in policies and activities.

Fifty students in grades eight through twelve were voted to serve on Student Council by fellow classmates. Student Council proved to have outstanding leadership involvement and the ability to work as a unit. Besides the annual projects of Homecoming and the Penny Post Office, the Council held a community blood drive. Over 100 pints of blood were collected during the drive, making the club tab this project as the most successful. Secretary Cathy Perry, junior, said, "The officers and I started planning new projects before school even started. Everyone in the Council gets along really well, and I feel the closeness helped in getting things done."

Fifteen members also attended a few leadership conferences to get new ideas for projects in the coming years.

Selection of students into the National Honor Society underwent a major change as President Lisa Maugans, senior, explained, "We hoped to improve the quality of the club by not only raising the minimum grade point average but including interviews as part of the induction process."

Maugans also said, "We had a total of 87 members, which is the largest membership this organization has ever had. I think this really reflects on the great quality of students we have."

Quality of students, academically and extra-curricularly, was a consideration when selecting Historical Society members. Encouraging interest in politics and our nation's history was the main purpose of this organization. President Lisa Maugans said, "Along with our 30 members, we have planned field trips to historical sights, and hopefully we will get to visit a major area such as Washington D.C."

Students who were members of these clubs gained a feeling of accomplishment after fellow peers and faculty members selected them for membership.

Jenny Maenpa

MEMBERS OF NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY include Front Row: Lisa Maugans, pres.; Karen Schumacher, vice pres.; Cheryl Helvig, sec.; Marcy Harvey, treas.; Row 2: Beverley Carson, Kim Hill, Stacy Hamock, Lisa Dalton, Kim Rivers, Curt Cavin, Suzette Moyer, Marcia Read, John Boehm, Bill Miller, Brenda Manship, Sherri Colby, Dacia Fields, Melanie Bowlin, Linda Longfellow; Row 3: Jenny Maenpa, Lori Thomas, Sherri Milburn, Andrea Damon, Polly Martin, Dawn Garner, Matt Thomas, Karen Key, April Brown, Chris Leach, Ron Geyer, Mike Williams, Marsha Long, Susan Lindsey, Kevin Agal; Row 4: Kim Stine, Cynde Winger, Julie Kelly, Marty Lewis, Curt Johnson, Don Yoder, Dave Alley, Mark Dunkin, Melanie Orem, Tracey Hutchison, Shelley King, Terri Banjak, Sabrina Street, Marsha Aldridge, Monica Boruff; Row 5: Cathy Perry, Darrin O'Neal, Susan Walden, Tresha Cline, Mindy Shuck, Becky Pecen, Misti Rawles, Betsy Hossom, Lisa Donley, Cindy Chen, Dawn Kirkendall, Brenda Barrett, Valerie Bastin, Sherri Watkins, Misty Lawson; Row 6: Jeff Jones, Liz Corn, Mary Arbuckle, Jim Reser, Ron Gaskins, John Slaughbaugh, Darin Ashcraft, D-Jay Stanley, Evelyn Luecke, Melody Hewitt, Rhonda Fields, Susan Spaulding; Row 7: Chris Perry, Laura Maish, Jeff Newlin, Becky Murchison, Tim Malone, Greg Bewley, Michelle Shay, Jerelyn Fortune.

CESAR PARRA, Senior, rolls up his sleeve to be one of the first to donate blood at the first annual community blood drive sponsored by Red Cross and Student Council.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERS include Front Row: Mr. Dickison, sponsor; Lisa Maugans, pres.; Kim Rivers, vice pres.; Lori Lewis, sec.; Brenda Manship, treas.; Mr. Bradley, sponsor; Row 2: Marcy Harvey, Karen Schumacher, Linda Longfellow, Karen Key, Bill Miller, Suzette Moyer, Sherri Colby, Dacia Fields, Bev Carson, Melanie Bowlin, Sherri Buckner, Ann Kelly; Row 3: Evelyn Luecke, Melody Hewitt, Susan Walden, Lynda Gerhart, Mindy Harvey, Brenda Barrett, Dawn Kirkendall, Valerie Bastin, Mary Arbuckle, Lisa Donley, Kelly Knoll; Row 4: Sherri Watkins, Matt Johnson, Ron Geyer, Matt Thomas, Dan McBay, Wayne Roller, Cathy Perry, Cindy Chen, Laura Maish; Row 5: Curt Cavin, Tim Malone, John Gabbard, Darin Ashcraft, Ron Gaskins.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS are Front Row: Mr. Walter, sponsor; Jenny Maenpa, pres.; Jeff Newlin, vice pres.; Cathy Perry, sec.-treas.; Lori Weir, reporter; Row 2: Ron Newbold, Karna Anderson, April Brown, Karen Schumacher, Stacy Hamock, Kim Hill, Sherri Milburn, Lori Thomas, Chip Brunt; Row 3: Tricia Weeks, Jamie Moyer, Laura Maish, Tawni Culbertson, Mike Love, Lisa Donley, Mark Love, Liz Corn, Michelle Thomas, Shannon Galford; Row 4: Victoria Jones, Wanda Bowen, Elizabeth Perry, Stacey Ashcraft, Mary Kay Read, Angie Abendroth, Susan Wise, Jill Renshaw, Kelly Bell, Charise Keyes, Steve Oakley, John Anderson; Row 5: Suzanne Miller, Tina McKoon, Christi Hulet, Stacy Everman, Kim Gilbert, Debbie Day, Steph Wolverton, Kelli Hardy, Melissa Padfield, Dave Boyd, Heather Miller, John Donahue.

Members prepare for 'working world'

Preparing students for the "working world" was a main part of some clubs' activities.

Future Homemakers of America (FHA) Hero prepared its members for occupations in the home economics field. President Suzette Moyer, senior, said, "For each meeting we had a speaker come in to talk to us about informative issues, such as unemployement, finding a job and buying a car. The tips the speakers passed on to us will help us make wiser economic decisions in the future."

Future scientific and technological occupations could be filled by science club members. Usually, all science club members are also participants in the annual science fair, which is sponsored by the club. Participants' projects often reflect their special interest in a scientific field and perhaps future occupation. Senior Bill Miller, president, explained, "I plan to make working with computers a career, so I work on computers as a hobby."

Science fair winners this year were Mary Kay Read, Biological, and John Fisher, Physical, in the senior division. The freshman grand champion was Lisa Chen and the eighth grade winner was Lou Ann Evans.

Occupations in the agricultural field were investigated by members of the Future Farmers of America (FFA). Enjoying agricultural and farming is why many young men joined the club. "Our club got a first in the Howard County soil judging contest. We also judged livestock and dairy contest's," said president John Boehm, senior.

By participating in clubs which were developed around a particular career interest, students learned about their chosen vocational field as well as enjoyed worthwhile activities sponsored by the clubs.

Jenny Maenpa

MEMBERS OF FHA include Front row: Jane Young, sponsor; Sherry Ellis, points committee; Misty Lawson, Hist.; Brenda Manship, treas.; Suzette Moyer, pres.; Robin Keegan, sec.; Evelyn Luecke and Robin Myers, points committee. Row 2: Shelley Bradford, Lisa Hewitt, Beth Jumper, Karen Key, Jill Vostatek, Sherri Buckner, Beth Maish, Barb Skaggs, Seila Bean, Michelle Ennis, Vonda Meeker, Julie Heltzel; Row 3: Shaun Hanke, Laura Vary, Mary Reams, Laura Maish, Jamie Moyer, Teresa Ancil, Regina Rider, Rhonda Fields, Jane Kendall, Sherri Hensler, Michelle Ringeisen, April Aaron; Row 4: Shannon Galford, Shelli Eltzeroth, Lisa Simms, Shelly Bougher, Kitten Golightly, Holly Whitfield, Angie Drury, Staci Stephenson, Christy Phifer, Heather Hanson, Debby Lahee, Julie Rose; Row 5: Maribeth Chmiel, Merine Abresch, Julie Smith.

MEMBERS OF THE SCIENCE CLUB are; Front Row: Mr. Hole, sponsor; Bill Miller, pres.; Matt Johnson, vice-pres.; Kyle Street, treas.; Dave Rivers, sec.; Mr. Phillips, sponsor; Row 2: Sherri Watkins, Rhonda Fields, Lori Lewis, Linda Longfellow, Mary Arbuckle, Cindy Chen, Kelly Bell, Lisa Donley, Valerie Bastin; Row 3: Jim Casselman, Scott Freeman, Steve Lods, Richard Bickel, John Fisher, Dave Ashenfelter, Matt Krajewski; Row 4: Ron Gaskins, Tim Malone, John Gabbard, Darin Ashcraft, Mike Malone.

MEMBERS OF FFA include Front Row: Mr. Huskey, sponsor; Rustin Godfrey, sentinel; Jeff Hendershot, treas.; John Boehm, pres.; Don Yoder, vice-pres.; David Foller, reporter; Row 2: Corwin Winger, Tim Smith, Rod Brewer, John Burket, Rob Hewitt, Lane Roark; Row 3: Randy Roark, Matt Hobson, Dave Ashenfelter, Bradly Bennett, James Hornberger, Steve McForland, Ken Amsbury.

SENIORS BOB BOGUE, Ron Geyer, Blake Rollins, Mike Stout, Junior Darin Ashcraft, seniors Cliff Blunt, Steve Scott, and Junior Mindy Shuck show their spirit during FHA week on "Switcharoo Day."

MEMBERS OF WEIGHTLIFTING are Front Row: Rob Conyers, Trent Rice, Neil Marcus, Darrin O'Neal, Blake Rollins, Tim O'Neal, John Renshaw, Randy Smith, Brian Hopwood; Row Two: Jim Reser, Tim Degenkolb, Jim Wolfe, Mike Love, Dave Conyers, Jeff Jones, Robert Eldridge, Bob Marley, Dan Otis, Tom Young; Row Three: Ron Geyer, John Fisher, Aaron Mendenhall, Jeff Wicks, Brian Marley, Erik Myers, Brent Clevenger, Ted Ashburn, Dave Rivers.

MEMBERS OF GIRLS W-CLUB are Front Row: Miss Zinn, sponsor; Sherri Milburn, pres.; Cheryl Helvig, v. pres.; Lisa Grimme, sec.; Lori Thomas, treas.; Row Two: Karen Schumacher, Kris Kelly, Lisa Maugans, Susan Lindsey, Donna Schmitt, Jill Vostatek, Dena Schmitt, Becky Murchison, Samantha Gifford; Row Three: Susan Ray, Lorna Harbaugh, Tammy Etherington, Julie Kelly, Misti Rawles, Mary Tuchscherer, Stacy Ashcraft, Dee Dee Moore; Row Four: Tammy Geiger, Sandy O'Neal, Nancy Jackson, Kim Stine, Mary Arbuckle, Sharon TeRhonde, Charise Keyes, Sharyl Linton, Robin Helton, Joan Coffey.

MEMBERS OF FCA are Mr. Keisling, sponsor; Curt Johnson, prog. chrmn.; Lisa Maugans, pres.; Becky Murchison, vice-pres.; Marsha Long, sec.; Curt Cavin, proj. chrmn.; Mr. Taylor, sponsor; Row 2: Robin Helton, Lance Rice, Bill White, Jenny Maenpa, Cynde Winger, Valerie Yoder, Sabrina Street, Janice Indrutz, Shelley King, Julie Kelly, Susan Lindsey, Tracey Hutchison, Kelly Knoll, Bev Carson; Row Three: Julie Swartz, Kim Hill, John Slaubaugh, Tony Newlin, Ron Gaskins, John Gabbard, Kevin Agal, Sherri Milburn, Mike Williams, Dave Troyer, Chris Fulk, Bill Wyant, Jon Anderson, Darin Ashcraft; Row Four: Sherri Buckner, Melanie Bowlin, Lori Farlow, Mary Kay Read, Tammi Hays, Tracy Davis, Mary Tuchscherer, Brad Milburn, Brian Marley, Dave Rivers, Pat Hayes, Bob Marley, Jim Kesterson; Row Five: Tim Agal, Scott Brunt, Christi Call, Stacey Ashcraft, Shelley Bradford, Lisa Huffman, Jennifer Ancil, Kathy Ulshafer, Jim Casselman, John Fisher, Dave Howard, Jeff Wicks, Trent Rice; Row Six: Cathy Stridde, David Ancil, Mark Love, Steve Querry, Angie McAninch, Brenda Barrett, Deani Boodt, Dan McBay, Dave Hudson, Dave Conyers, Jim Reser, Tom Harshman; Row Seven: Donna Schmitt, Samantha Gifford, Nancy Jackson, Susan Wise, Tawni Culbertson, Dawn Coomer, Kelly Hargraves, Laura Maish, Susan Fenimore, Lori Weir, Cathy Perry, Michelle Shay, Robin Ratcliff, Mandy Moore; Row Eight: Jill Vostetek, Dena Schmitt.

AT THE FCA VOLLEYBALL MARATHON, Junior John Slaubaugh scrounges up enough energy after a long night of playing to return the ball with a little extra finesse.

Athletic clubs increase in size, participation

Not only are Boys' and Girls' W-Clubs, FCA and Weightlifting Club all sports related, but they have also undergone a little bit of growth. They have grown in membership, development of goals and participation within each club.

"The membership has increased mainly because of the interest in the program and what it represents," said Chip Brunt, Boys' W-Club president. Members of the club worked during volleyball season and girls' basketball games selling concessions to raise money.

Development of goals was the primary area of growth for the Girls' W-Club as it set objectives for the year. One such goal was to update the track and field record board in the middle school and transfer it over to the high school gym. Another goal was to give more recognition to minor sports and to award two scholarships at the end of the year.

Growth in membership and participation were the new standards for FCA and the Weightlifting Club. FCA sponsored a volleyball marathon to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House and allowed the other county schools to participate. "All the time spent in planning the marathon was worth it, and everyone had fun playing," commented Lisa Maugans, president.

Along with their physical growth, the Weightlifting Club also produced a growing average of 30 people who weightlifted each night. They lifted in the evenings on Mondays and Wednesdays and also came in early on Friday mornings. Through all the practices, the boys developed strength along with growing physically. According to sponsor Jim Plummer, "Jewell Scott is one of our strongest lifters."

As each of these clubs experienced growth in membership, development of goals and participation, club members found new ways to meet friends and gain experience in decisions-making and responsibility.

Kim Hill

MEMBERS OF THE BOYS W-CLUB are Front Row: C. Wolf, sponsor; Mike Williams, secretary-treasurer; Bill White, vice pres.; Chip Brunt, pres.; Blake Rollins; Row Two: Steve Oakley, Jeff Jones, Darrin O'Neal, Lance Rice, Kevin Agal, Rod Maddox, Todd Holder, Brian Weeks, Neil Marcus, Steve Scott, Bob Bogue, John Slaubaugh, Dave Troyer, Bill Wyant, Darin Ashcraft, Kevin Morgan, Chris Fulk, Ty Thomas, Chris Perry, Rob Conyers, Tom Harshman, Tom Bliss; Row Four: Mike Love, Trent Rice, K.C. Lennon, D Jay Stanley, Mark Love, Jim Kesterson, Steve Querry, Robert Eldridge, Bob Marley, Jeff Glick, Kyle Street, Jim Reser, John Renshaw, Randy Smith.

MEMBERS OF THE CHESS CLUB are Front Row: Darin Ashcraft, pres.; Matt Thomas, vice-pres.; Dan McBay, sec.; D. Jay Stanley, treas.; Row 2: Mr. Dickison, sponsor; Tom Bliss, Blake Rollins, Jay Howe, Matt Johnson, Brian Pavey, Bruce Anderson.

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA CLUB are Front Row: Judy Kastura, Laurel Carter, LewAnn Evans, sec.; Jay Howe, pres.; Michelle Rutherford, Elizabeth Hill; Row 2: Evelyn Luecke, Susan Spaulding, Sue Combs, Sandy Colby, Marilyn Wooldridge, Leslie Lewis, Loraine Fike, John Kwiatt.

MEMBERS OF THE BIBLE CLUB are Front Row: Richard Bickel, vice-pres.; Jon Horton, pres.; Valerie Yoder, sec.; Mr. Cole, sponsor; Row 2: David Smith, Stephanie Warm, Cyndi Boswell, Heather Miller, Dawn Kirkendall, Jay Howe, Becky Murchison, Wes Munsell; Row 3: Nancy Jackson, Janice Indrutz, Michelle Davis, Mary Kay Read, David Ancil, Kyle Carter, Lisa Dalton, Sherri Milburn, Susan Spaulding.

Personal interests spark enthusiasm

By participating in activities such as Foreign Language Club, Chess Club, Media Club and Bible Club, students could engage in clubs formed around one particular interest and at the same time share that interest with others.

In order to be eligible for Foreign Language Club, a person had to have taken at least one year of a foreign language. Although the main interest of the club was the study of different languages. Learning about different cultures also made up a big part of the club's activities. The Foreign Language Club held a Foreign Exchange Day, and, through this activity, members could learn about different cultures and also meet new people.

"One of the biggest goals the Chess Club would like to accomplish is to place in the state chess meet," commented President Darin Ashcraft, junior. Chess Club allowed the few who knew how to play the strategic game the chance to enjoy competitive opportunities. As a result, the members were involved in tournaments.

The main interest concerning the Media Club was to provide better Media Center services to both faculty and students in addition to creating greater interest in libraries and books. Club activities included sponsoring a dance and taking a field trip to the Purdue Library.

Guest speakers, Bible studies and filmstrips were the things that made Bible Club so interesting. "In the future, the club would like to have non-denominational meetings to encourage the study of the Bible," said Mr. Steve Cole, sponsor.

Joining clubs permitted students to share with one another the same particular interest while meeting new people. However, participation within each club made it so interesting and exciting.

Kim Hill

MEMBERS OF THE LANGUAGE CLUB are Front Row: Jo Zimmerman, treas.; Sherri Watkins, sec.; Linda Longfellow, vice-pres.; Ann Kelly, pres.; Mrs. Harris, sponsor; Row 2: Brenda Manship, Karen Key, Sherri Buckner, Lisa Maugans, Lori Lewis, Kim Rivers, Marcy Harvey, Kelly Knoll, Tracey Hutchison, Bev Carson; Row 3: Betsy Hossom, Jim Casselman, Susan Walden, Kris Kelly, Misty Lawson, Robin Ratcliff, Michelle Shay, Cindy Chen, Lisa Donley, Bill Miller; Row 4: Regina Rider, Janice Indrutz, Valerie Yoder, Jennifer Ancil, Sharon TeRonde, Dee Dee Moore, Paige Brown, Lisa Hewitt, Jim Horton, Katrina Turner, LewAnn Evans; Row 5: Angie McAninch, Monica Boruff, Marsha Aldridge, D. Jay Stanley, Kathy Ulshager, Jim Colwell, Kelly Smith, Steve Lange, Melissa Aaron, Sabrina Street; Row 6: Brian Switzer, Laurie McCain, Jon Horton, Kelly Grant, David Boyd, April Aaron, Rhonda Fields, Beth Maish, Kirk McAninch, Mindy Shuck.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUB STUDENTS get a chance to learn about other countries first hand by hosting exchange students on Foreign Exchange Day.

Journalists overcome frustrations

Assembling a yearbook or a school newspaper may appear to be a relatively easy task, but there are always unexpected obstacles to overcome.

Invariably there will be stories lost, pictures will turn up missing and other items simply forgotten to be done. But despite these factors, things must operate quickly and orderly to insure that deadlines are met.

Just as the two staffs seemed to have their respective publications under control, a fire raged through Shepple Studio over spring break and destroyed several thousand dollars worth of photography equipment along with several rolls of the school's film and numerous pictures.

"We really weren't sure what we were going to do at the time. It took a couple of weeks for us to get back on our feet since we had to go through and decide what pictures had burned and which ones had tto be retaken," explained Senior Kim Rivers, editor of the Echo.

Due to the fact that the Western Union relies less on photography than does the Echo, the newspaper's biggest setback was not the blaze in late March.

"Our biggest problem was that we were really short on staff members. Things could have been a lot easier had we had several more people," commented Junior Mary Arbuckle, Union editor.

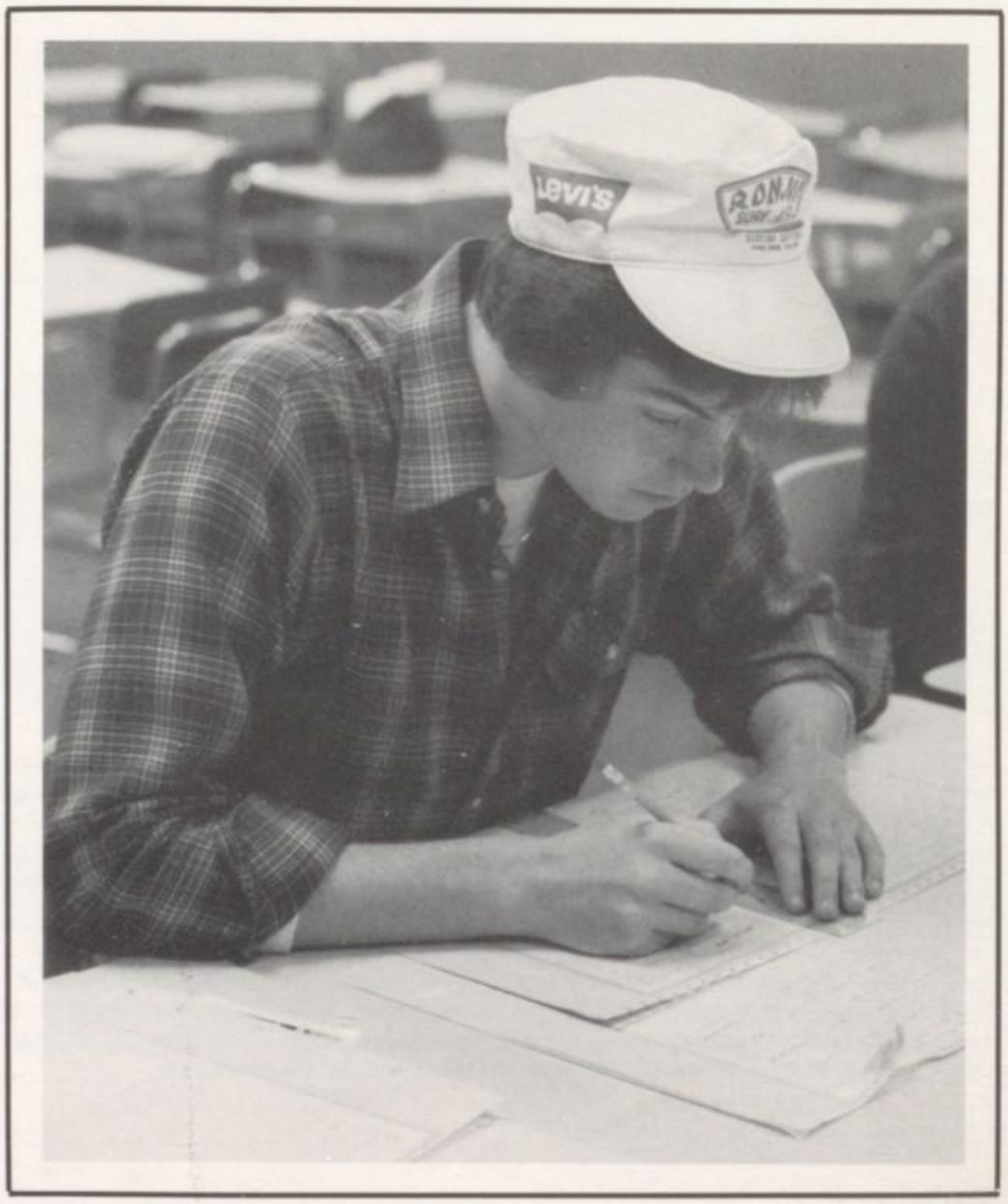
Perhaps the biggest surprise arose in the photography area where the size of the staff drastically increased.

"It was great to see that we had so many people interested, but it would have been better if we could have had a few more cameras to go around," added Senior Photography Coordinator Ann Kelly.

Amidst the frustrations, the staff members continued in their efforts to produce top-notch publications. In the end, the experience gained was not only valuable but rewarding as well.

Curt Cavin

SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR CHIP BRUNT diligently works to complete his layout final.



ECHO STAFF includes Front Row: Fran Walker, adviser, Kim Rivers, editor; Curt Cavin, asst. editor; Ann Kelly, photo editor; Marcia Read, bus. mgr.; Row 2: Suzette Moyer, Lorna Harbaugh, Cheryl Helvig, Karen Key, Stacy Hamock, Kim Hill, Jenny Maenpa, Bev Carson, Chip Brunt; Row 3: Dacia Fields, Robin Helton, Kim Fivecoate, Jeff Lake, Sandy Henderson, Karen Shelton, Kristi Kelly, Melanie Bowlin, Sherri Colby, Sherri Buckner.

WESTERN UNION STAFF includes Front Row: Mrs. Fran Walker, adviser; Mary Arbuckle, editor; Becky Pecen, asst. editor, Jay Howe, ad. mgr.; Row 2: Kathy Stridde, Dean Schmitt, Tammy Collier, Ron Newbold, Brandie White; Row 3: Donna Schmitt, Jill Vostatek, Mark Dunkin, Susan Ray.

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Talent, hard work pay off with successful seasons

Talent and hard work led to growing success in the band department. After the overwhelming success of the champion marching band, band members came indoors and settled into equally brilliant concert and pep band seasons.

Members worked through January and February preparing for the annual Solo and Ensemble contest. Success was achieved individually as three-fourths of the members received superior ratings in various events.

Band members could release pent-up energy at home basketball games where the Pep Band helped arouse the crowd with its pep tunes. Hard work after school once a week practicing led to the success of this talented group.

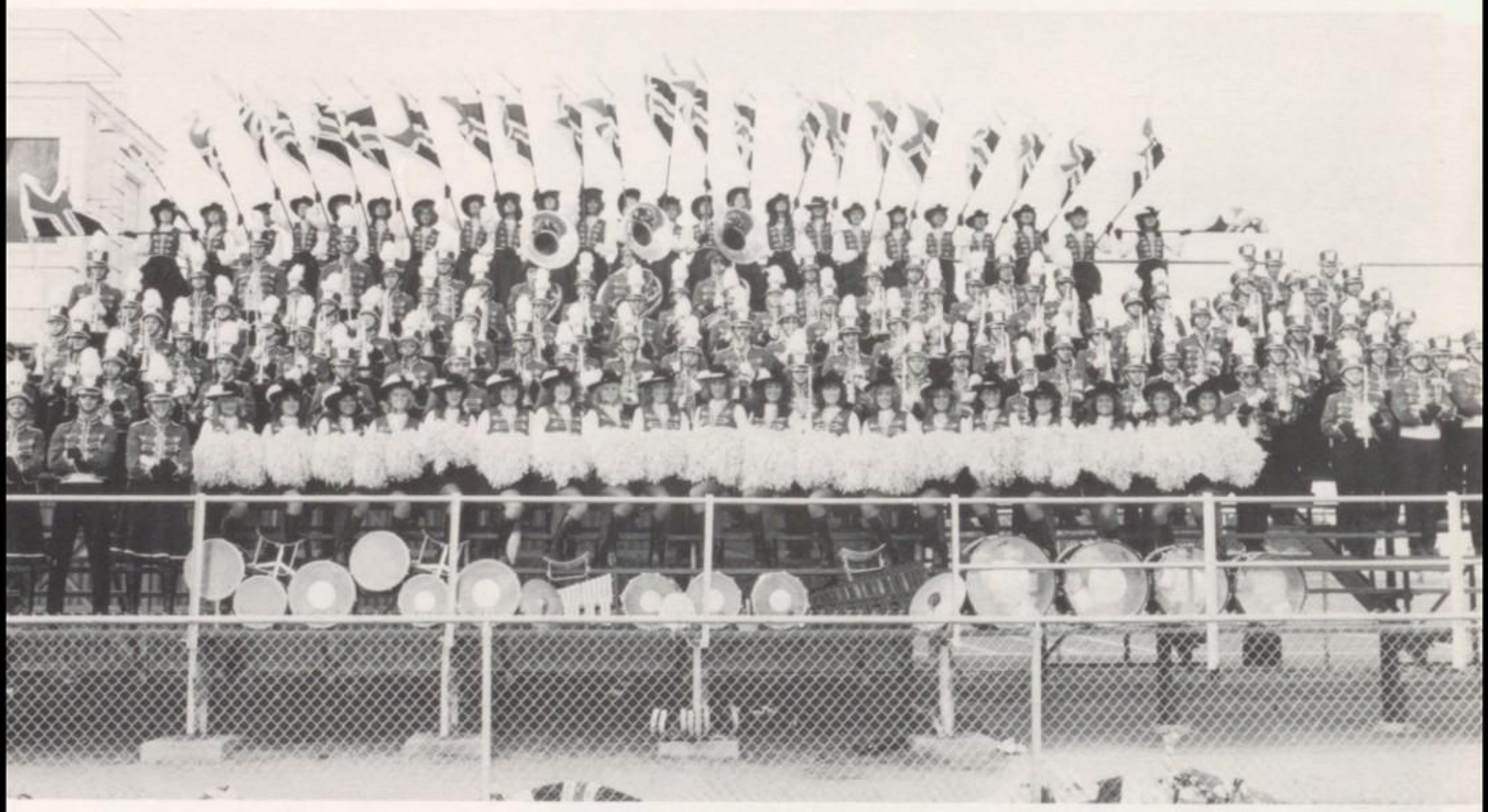
Concert band contest proved the organization to be outstanding as the judges of the contest rated the band superior. The band performed three works: "Parade of the Tall Ships," a march by J. Chattaway; and two concert pieces entitled "Necturne," by Alfred Reed; and "First Suite in E Flat," by Gustav Holst.

Other concerts performed by the band in the spring were the annual Fine Arts Festival and the Commencement exercises.

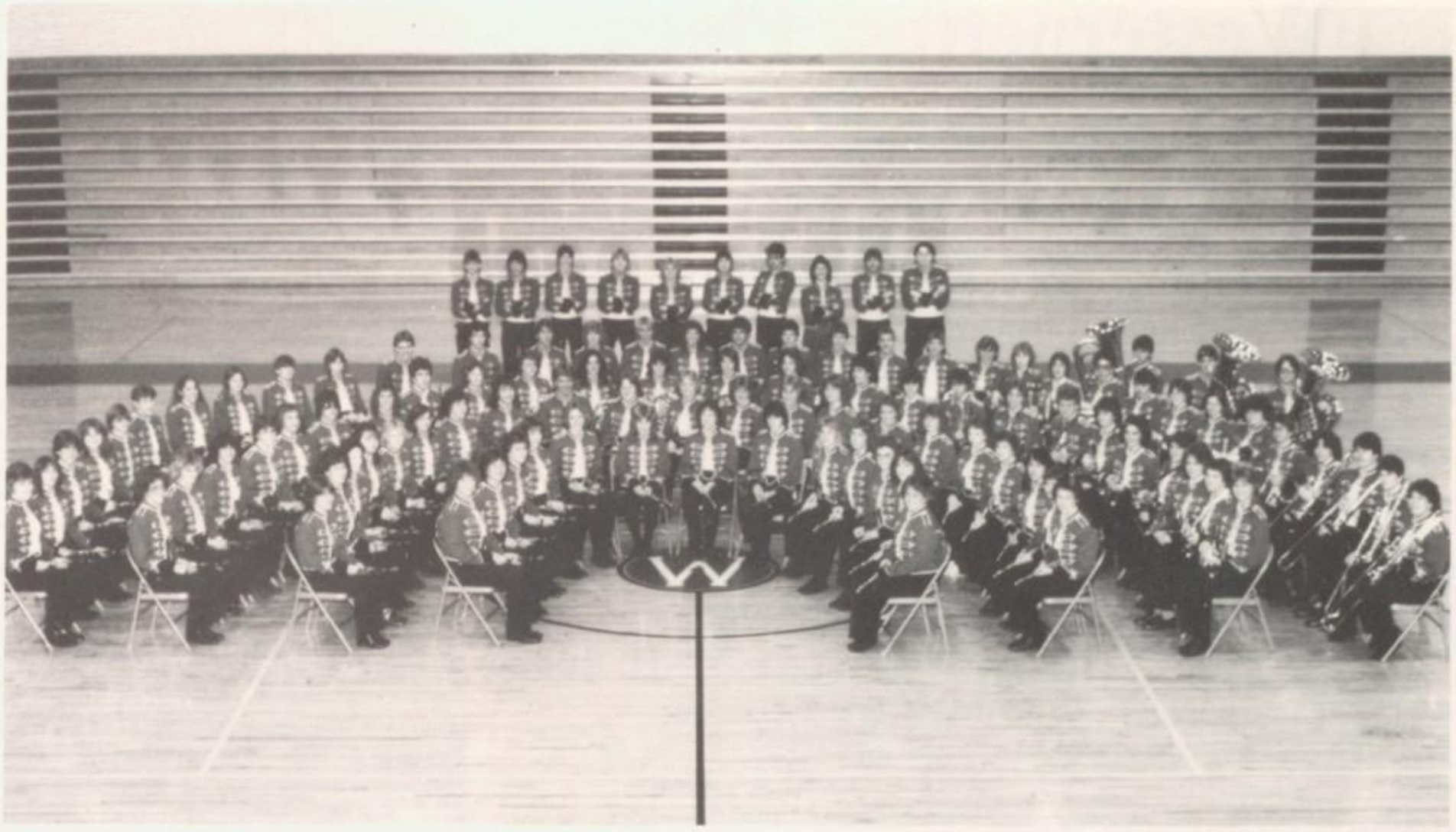
Junior Kelly Collins commented,"This year has proved the band is really one of the best in the State."

Ann Kelly

LEADING THE BAND WITH SKILL AND PRECISION, Drum Major Marcia Read, senior, conducts the opening number of the band's field show as Sophomore Staci Hornback watches.



The Marching Band



The Concert Band

PEP BAND MEMBERS include Front Row: Angie McAninch, Elizabeth Hill, Regina Rider, Teresa Ancil, Jolene Allen, Melinda Finch, Sherri Sheets, Tracey Sterling, Shelly Webster, Jamie Kuhns, Michelle Davis, Susan Spaulding, Delilah Waters, Tresha Cline; Row 2: Mindy Shuck, DeeDee Moore, Ann Kelly, Amy Reel, Tracey Jennings, Leslie Lewis, Terry Banjak, Sabrina Street, Marsha Aldridge, Kenny Hanson, Loraine Fike, John Crew, Misti Rawles; Row 3: Judy Katura, Heather Miller, Wes Munsell, Paul Hanson, Erin Pasquale, Kathy Gregg, Kyle Street, Jeff Martin, Jeff Glick, John Fisher, Brian Sheets, Lisa Maugans, Bill Miller, Marty Lewis; Row 4: Valerie Yoder, Janice Indrutz, Lori Farlow, Kelly Collins, Jon Horton, Tom Young, Joel Endres, David Ancil, Scott Mills, Jeff Hendershot, Kris Kelly, John Boehm; Row 5: Tim Smith, Matt Johnson, Shaun Burnette, Brian Pavey, Richard Reel, Brian Smith.

Westernettes, Flags keep active schedule

Performing with polished perfection was what the Westernettes and Flag Corps were all about. From the football field in marching season to the gym floor during basketball season, both groups strived to entertain their audiences and give flawless performances that even judges couldn't criticize.

The Flag Corps and Westernettes kept an active schedule during most of the year. Both groups performed with the marching band in the fall at home football games, in marching band competitions, and were a big part of the band's capture of the State title.

After marching season, the two groups still had plenty of plans to occupy their time. The Westernettes performed at the half-time of all home basketball games, practicing several hours a week in preparation. They also performed at Wabash College for a basketball half-time show. Both groups sponsored a workshop for their individual talent. These workshops were designed to interest other girls in the auxiliary and teach them the skills they would need if they ever tried out.

Senior Marcy Harvey, a Flag captain said, "The Flag workshop was a great way for us to try to generate interest in flags and start training all those 'future flags'."

After the workshop was completed, members of the auxiliary competed in the ISSMA Auxiliary Solo and Ensemble Contest at Westfield-Washington High School. Three groups of Flag Corps members (two of which contained a Westernette and a drum major) entered. All three groups received first.

Junior Lynda Gerhart, Westernette, said, "It's a great way to be recognized individually. I was very pleased to place first in all the events I entered because we had worked so hard."

Other activities in the spring included helping with try-outs and marching in several parades, including the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade.

Although being a member of Westernettes or Flag Corps did involve a great deal of hard work, there were fun times too. Nearly every student at school heard about the rollicking band trips to competitions. Senior Karen Schumacher, a Flag Captain, concluded, "Even though there is a lot of hard work in Flag Corps, there is also a lot of fun. The trips to competitions are great. Riding on the bus is like one big party with music, food and your friends. In the end, all the work really is worth it."

Kim Rivers

DURING THE BAND COMPETITION AT Haworth, sophomore Kelly Grant and Lori Farlow and Freshman Jamie Kuhns perform the closing routine to "Summer me, Winter me."

AT THE FINAL HOME BASKETBALL GAME against Clinton Central, the Westernettes await their cue to begin their performance to the tune of "I've got the music in me."

DURING THE FLAG CORPS WORKSHOP, Senior Marcy Harvey, captain teaches a Middle School student the basic fundamentals of flag twirling as Freshman Jamie Kuhns looks on.

MEMBERS OF WESTERNETTES are Front Row: Kelly Knoll, Brenda Barrett, Bev Carson, Lee Anne Burkhardt, Lori Thomas; Row 2: Leslie Dellinger, Kym Dieselberg, Susan Lindsay — capt., Suzette Moyer, Kris Krajewski; Row 3: Jody Heltzel, Cindy Chen, Kim Stine, Deana O'Neal, Lynda Gerhart.

MEMBERS OF FLAG CORPS are Front Row: Robin Meyers, Jamie Kuhns, Tammy Gatlin, Kelly Grant, Lori Farlow, Karen Schumacher — capt., Kim Rivers — capt., Misti Rawles, Betsy Hossom, Tammy Hayes, Tammy Powers, Mitzi Smith; Row 2: Monica Rocky, Mindy Harvey, Staci Hornback, Anita Cowan, Michelle Davis, Jane Kendall, Michelle Ringeisen, Robin Ratcliff, Michelle Shay, Linda Longfellow, Marcy Harvey — capt., Jerelyn Fortune.

Choral groups provide pleasant end for Hanscom

It was unanimous among the groups of the choir department that they wanted to make Director Mrs. Sally Hanscom's last year of teaching her best.

Robed Choir, Westernaires, Glee Club and Vocal I set this goal early in the year. President of Robed Choir, Senior Bob Bogue, said, "Almost all the Robed Choir members have been students of Mrs. Hanscom's since junior high. We wanted to do well this year in contest. Since this is her last year, we wanted to make her proud."

Members of the choral department performed in the annual programs "Fun in the Fall," the Winter Concert, the County Music Festival and ISSMA contest. Robed Choir placed second at ISSMA while Girls' Glee Club, Vocal I and the Eighth Grade Choir all placed first.

Although doing well in contests was their top priority, most of the choral members were in agreement that choir was not just a class for singing; it was also a place for learning dynamics and tonation. Just working together as a group made these classes special experiences.

Jenny Maenpa

DIRECTING HER FINAL "FUN IN THE FALL" PERFORMANCE, Choral Director Mrs. Sally Hanscom leads the Robed Choir in a stirring rendition of the "Battle Hymn."

ROBED CHOIR MEMBERS are Front Row: Mrs. Sally Hanscom, director; Bob Bogue, pres.; Mike Stout, vice-pres.; Steve Scott, sec.; Cynde Winger, sec.; Evelyn Lueke, treas.; Lori Thomas, treas.; Row 2: Tami Stone, Ginger Hayes, Donna Hill, Tammy Boothby, Sandy O'Neal, Kim Bryan, Missy Guy, Paige DeWeese, Betsy Hossom, Lisa Dalton, Polly Martin, Terra McGaha; Row 3: Sally Dillman, Kelly Collins, Mindy Schuck, Denise Perkins, Becky Lahee, Trina Murphy, Mark Bryan, Kit Pfingst, Brenda Manship, Mary Arbuckle, Cynthia Frank, Tammy Powers, Sherri Buckner; Row 4: Monica Rockey, Anita Cowan, Dale Bishop, Darin Rogers, Dennis Freidline, John Pridemore, Jim Casselman, John White, Gerry Avery, Brian Smith, Andrea Damon, Becky Murchison, Renee Sutherland; Row 5: Shelly King, Todd Grant, Cliff Blunt, Rusty Carson, Ron Geyer, Les Felton, Chuck Freel, Blake Rollins, Joan Coffey, Paige Brown, Lorna Harbaugh.

VOCAL I MEMBERS include Front Row: Mrs. Sally Hanscom, director; Mike Johnson, treas.; Tom Young, sec.; Missy Padfield, pres.; Randy Ault, vice-pres.; Marcy Harvey, accomp.; Shelly King, accomp.; Row 2: Amanda Hoepner, Neosha Hudson, Stephanie Warm, Tammy Batt, Sara Cornett, Jan Stipes, Jessica Bryant, Debbie Buchanan, Kim Abston, Joel E. Kidwell; Row 3: Dawn Swain, Teresa Moore, Christy Tackett, Missy Walton, Becky Taylor, Yuko Mizuno, Felicia Muhl, Cari Cavin, Angie Davenport, Sam Watson.

MEMBERS OF THE WESTERNAIRES include Front Row: Les Felton, Betsy Hossom, Ron Geyer, Mary Arbuckle, Jim Casselman, Lorna Harbaugh, Cliff Blunt, Shelley King; Back Row: Steve Scott, Becky Murchison, Bob Bogue, Evelyn Luecke, Brian Smith, Becky Lahee, Mike Stout, Mindy Shuck.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB are Front Row: Kay Chestnut, Kathy Steur, Bridget Willsey, Betty Pridemore, Tomi McCorkle, Julie Otis, Mrs. Sally Hanscom, sponsor; Back Row: Michelle McBride, Jodi Coonce, Leigh Ann Bogue, Shelly Church, Sheri McMasters, Laurel Carter.

Clubs demand talent, time, patience

Besides academics, many students were able to develop their individual talents by participating in clubs such as Drama Club, Art Club and Speech. Demanding talent for membership, these clubs also required a lot of time and effort along with patience throughout the year.

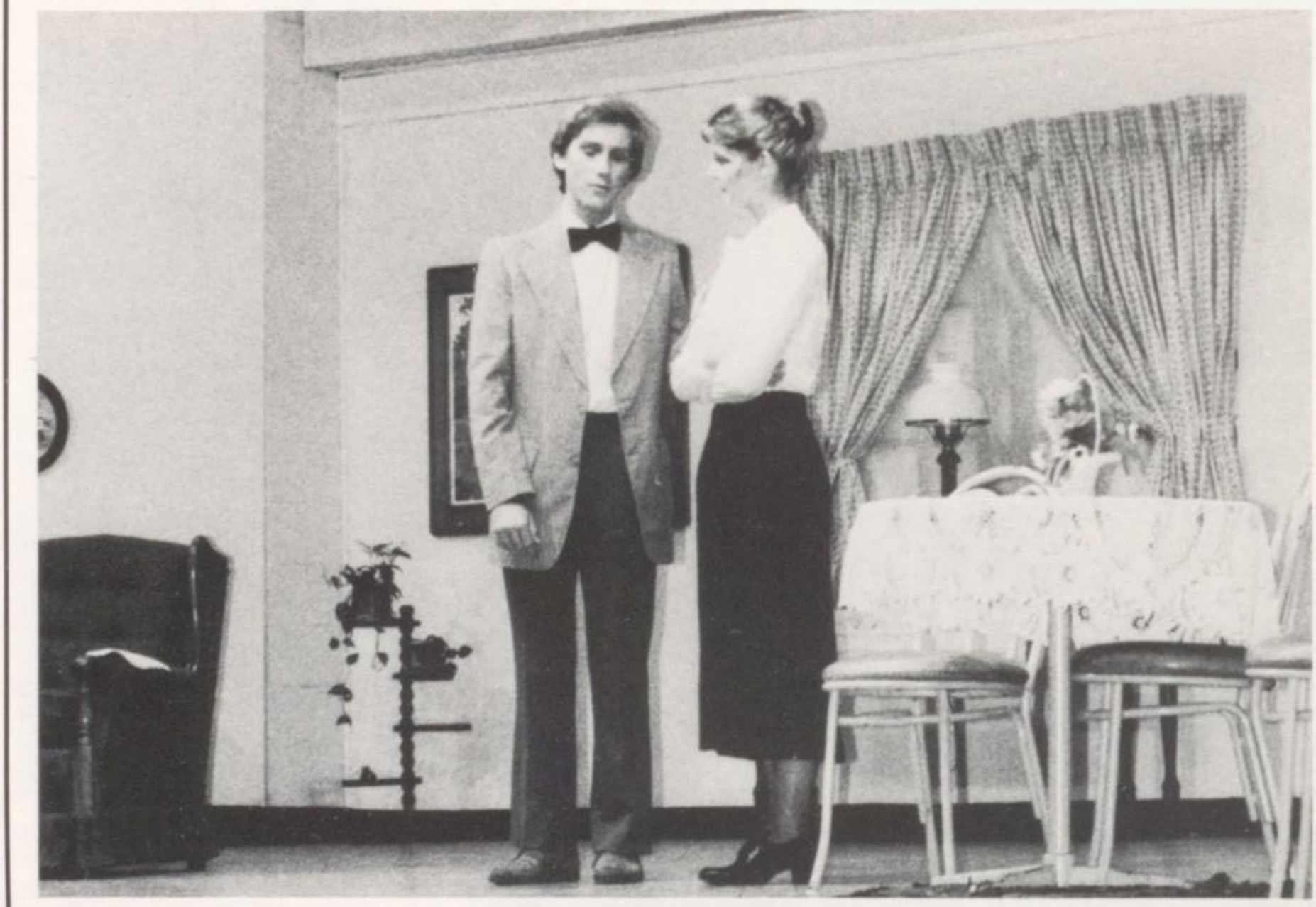
One of the biggest and most important events of the Drama Club was to present the school play, entitled CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN, in the spring. This was also one of the club's money-making projects. "Being in the play might be hard work and time consuming, but overall it's a lot of fun," said Senior Terri Banjak.

Another club which proved to be time consuming but enjoyable was the Art Club. "There are a lot of good artists at our school; it's just a matter of getting them involved," commented Art Club president Senior Karen Schumacher. The Art Club consisted of 25 members who kept the club active in a variety of ways, including sponsorsing an art show in the spring, taking field trips to art museums in Chicago and Indianapolis, and occasionally visiting small boutiques or having guest artists come to the meeting to speak.

Speech Club had 10 to 15 participants on a regular basis who went to speech meets, presenting dramatic duos, speeches and radio programs which they had prepared in advance. Sophomore Leslie Lewis, who was alternate to the State competition in oratorical interpretation, said, "It was a big accomplishment for me because I had beaten people that beat me earlier in the year at contests. I was really pleased with the way I did."

All of these clubs represented some kind of talent. They also allowed students to accomplish personal as well as group goals by exhibiting these talents.

Kim Hill



FATHER BILL MEMBER, senior, and mother Becky Pecen, junior, discuss the problems of raising high school-age daughters when they are just beginning to date boys.

MEMBERS OF THE SPEECH TEAM are Front Row: Brian Pavey, pres.; Mary Arbuckle, vice-pres.; Becky Pecen, treas.; Tim Malone, sec/reporter; Mr. Steve Cole, sponsor; Row 2: Lori Farlow, Mary Kay Read, Heather Miller, Laurel Carter, Jo Zimmerman, Mindy Shuck, Bill Miller, Matt Johnson; Row 3: Terri Banjak, Mary Tuchscherer, Gary Thomas, Michelle Davis, Erin Pasquale, Leslie Lewis, Felicia Muhl, Elizabeth Hill, John Donahue; Back Row: Angie Dickson, Christi Hulet, Dawn Harrison, Jeff Patch, Jon Horton, Kathleen Gregg, John Fisher, Mike Malone, Dave Boyd, Kirk McAnnich.

MEMBERS OF THE ART CLUB are Front Row: Mr. Ken Berryman, sponsor; Karen Schumacher, pres.; Kim Rivers, vice-pres.; Marcy Harvey, sec/treas.; Row 2: Sharyl Linton, Keri Morris, Samantha Gifford, Mindy Harvey, Kim Brown, Sabrina Street, Monica Boruff, Kathleen Gregg, Katrina Turner; Row 3: Jay Howe, Mandy Moore, Jo Zimmerman, Michelle Davis, Lisa Maugans, Diane Orem, Jane Daugherty, Jeff Patch, Ronnie Runyon; Back Row: Ted Ashburn, Terri Banjak, Patty Toney, Laura Maish, Steve Querry, Kevin Morgan, Gena Goodnight, Steve Simmons, Darin Asncraft, Jud Rush.

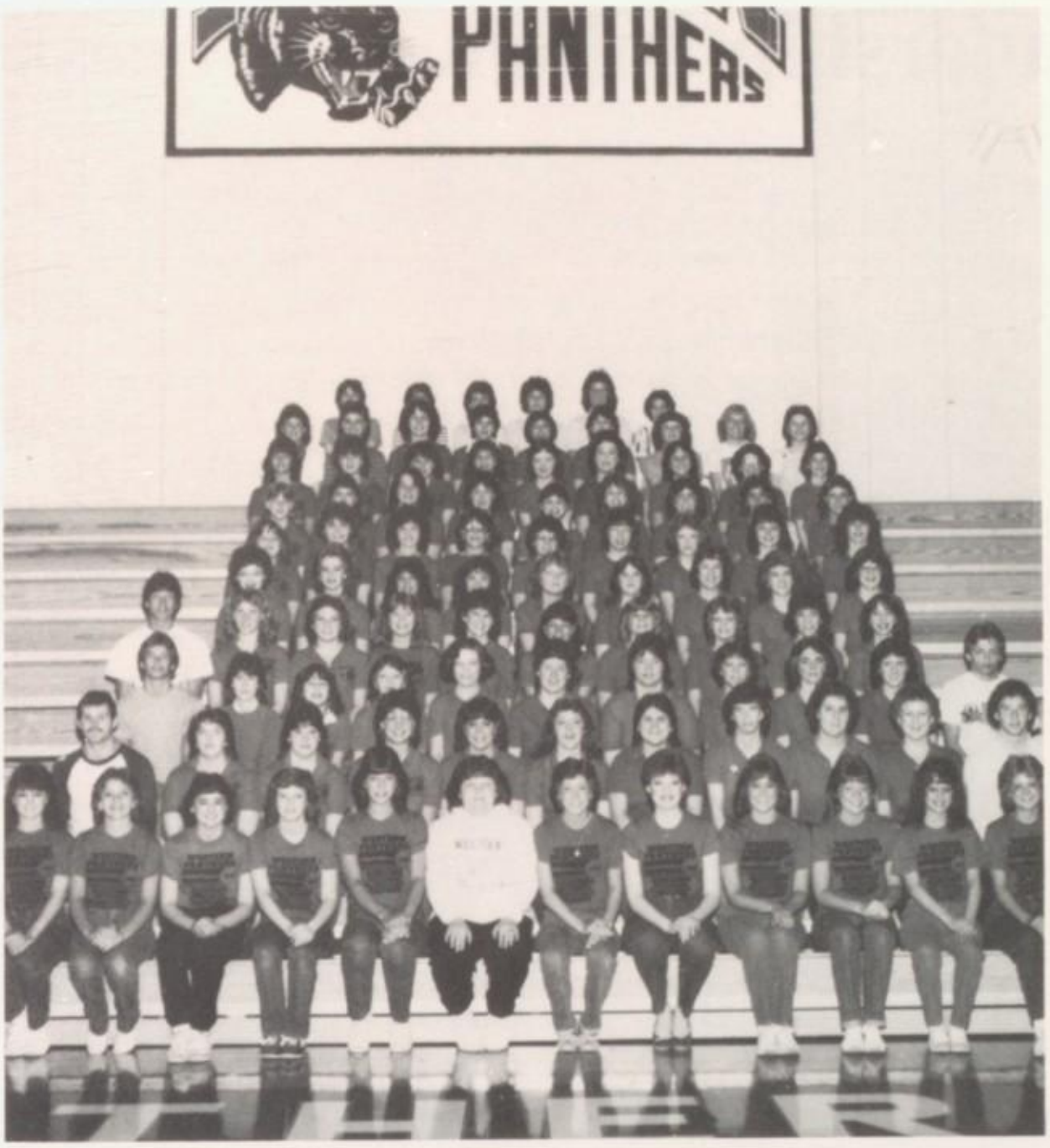
MEMBERS OF THE DRAMA CLUB are Front Row: Mr. Steve Cole, sponsor; BeckyPecen, vice-pres.; Terri Banjak, pres.; Row 2: Melody Hewitt, Stephanie Warm, Kim Rivers, Cyndi Boswell, Bill Miller, Lisa Maugans, Marcia Read, Sherri Milburn, Ann Kelly, Mary Arbucle, Kyle Carter; Row 3: Marcy Harvey, Dawn Harrison, Susan Walden, Tresha Cline, Lori Farlow, Betsy Hossom, Heather Miller, Susan Spaulding, Lynda Gerhart, Kelly Knoll, Jon Donahue, Kyle Street, Jeff Patch, Kenny Hanson; Row 4: Greg Bewley, Mindy Shuck, Brian Smith, Gary Thomas, Michelle Davis, Mindy Harvey, Laura Maish, Sherri Hensler, Michelle Ringeisen, Felicia Muhl, Paul Hanson, Steve Sears; Back Row: Tim Malone, LewAnn Evans, Elizabeth Hill, Jon Horton, Brian Pavey, Loraine Fike, Matt Johnson, Richard Bickle, Mike Malone, Erin Pasquale, Jo Zimmerman, Shaun Burnette, Dave Boyd, Regina Rider, Kirk McAnnich.

MEMBERS OF THE MOUNTMEN SQUAD show off some of their expressive style which they display throughout the basketball team's successful season. Such mounts are just a few of the ways the squad uses to excite fans to cheer. The spirit boosters are Jeff Newlin, Darin Ashcraft, Tim O'Neal, Lance Rice, Blake Rollins and Rob Conyers.

SPIRIT BOOSTER GROUPS such as the mountmen and Pep Block help to create the momentum that Senior Center Dave Alley needs to make a difficult jump shot against Haworth.

FOR THE FIRST TIME, a girls' basketball cheerleading squad exists. They include Gayle McAfee, Gina Smith, Robin Perkins, Dawn Harrison and Missy Padfield.

AS PANTHER MASCOT, Sophomore Leigh Anne Bogue is an integral part of raising spirit.



OVER 96 MEMBERS STRONG, the Pep Block helps make the Sectional victory possible.

SOPHOMORE LEE ANN RESER, the Pantherette, plays a vital part in the Grapplettes' strategy to keep the fans and wrestlers spirits up.

Booster groups light spirit explosion

Spirit explosion! Those are the best words to describe the Panther booster groups: a new group of cheerleaders for the girls' basketball team, the Mountmen, Panther Block, Panther Mascot and the Pantherette.

The latest addition to these groups was the girls' basketball cheerleaders. Sophomore cheerleader Gayle McAfee said, "Since we were a new group it made cheering quite a challenge at first, but the team and parents really appreciated us cheering for the girls and made us feel more relaxed."

One group of guys didn't have the least bit of trouble getting up in front of a crowd. The Mountmen felt right at home while cheering at varsity basketball games firing up the crowd. Junior Darin Ashcraft commented, "Sometimes it was frustrating when the crowd wouldn't yell along with us, but we'd just go out on the floor and get crazy, and the crowd really liked it."

Members of the Panther Block enjoyed cheering on the varsity basketball team throughout the season. Fans could always count on this mass block of red to yell their hearts out at home games. Sponsor Susie Wells said, "Over the past two years we've been trying to rebuild school spirit, and I feel that we have gotten the job done. We just need to keep it going for years to come."

Both the Panther Mascot and the Pantherette agreed that their part in supporting their teams added a finishing touch to the spirit aroused at games and meets.

Leigh Anne Bogue, sophomore, cheered at varsity basketball games as Panther Mascot. As Mascot, Bogue said she added something different to ball games. "I think people, especially young children, enjoy watching me perform at games."

Sophomore Pantherette Lee Ann Reser said she enjoyed helping raise spirit for the wrestling team, especially since her brother wrestled.

Traditional booster groups and the addition of new groups to pep up athletic events kept Panther spirit growing throughout the year.

Jenny Maenpa

Freshman leadership enhances success

Combining leadership and willingness to work together, the three freshman athletic squads — football, basketball, and cheerleading — compiled successful and enjoyable seasons.

The freshmen football team finished its season with a 6-2 record. With all the rain and cold weather, the players still showed determination and team work. According to Brian Grider, "The most exciting game played was against Kokomo because we didn't play them in eighth grade and we beat them 6-0."

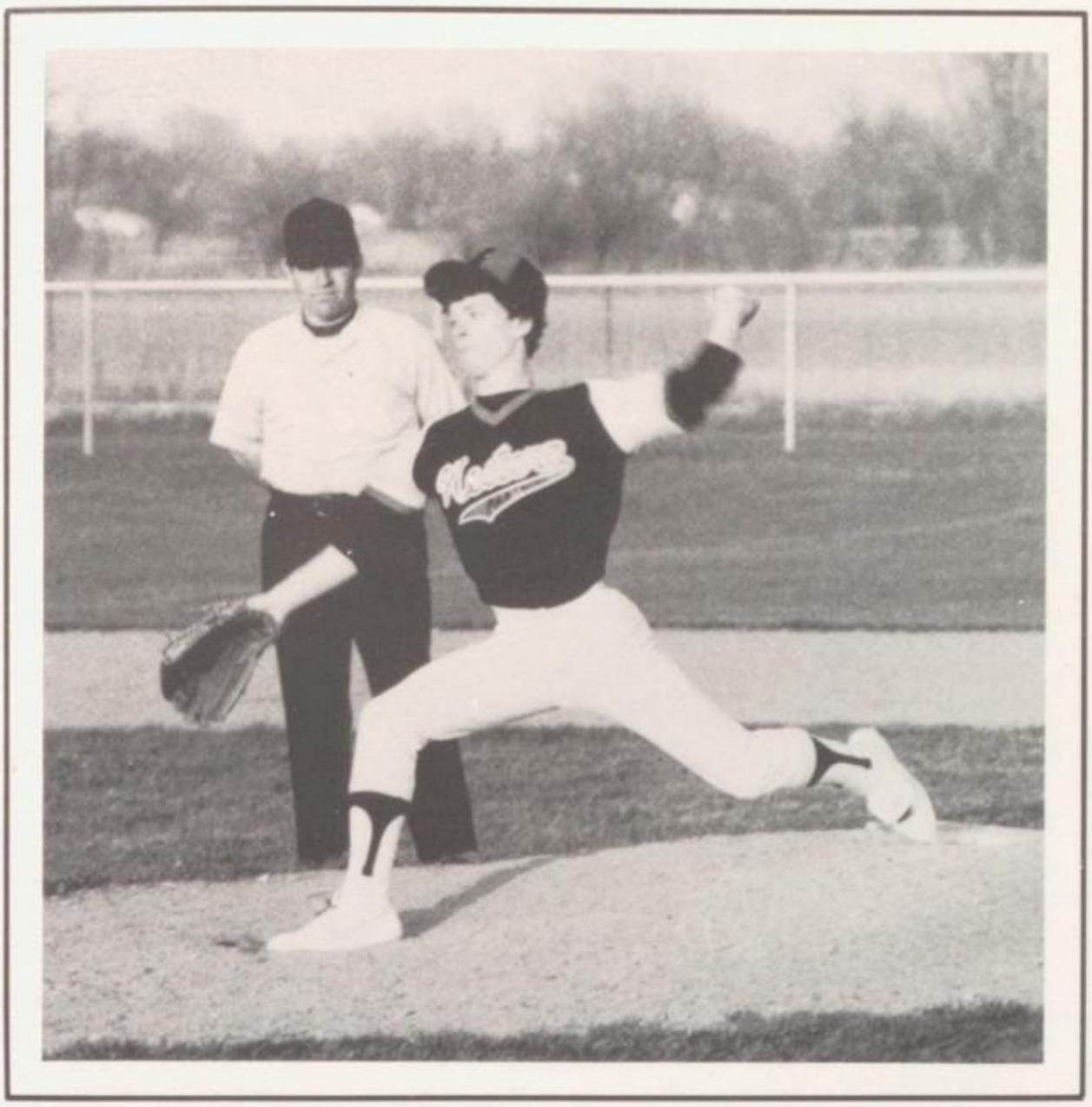
"Beating Kokomo on a last minute shot was the highlight of the season," commented basketball Coach Mr. Bob Burkhalter. The team also defeated Clinton Central for the first time in freshman history. They ended the season with an 8-7 record.

There was a lot of support and spirit from the freshman cheerleaders during both the football and basketball seasons. They stayed after school two nights each week to practice and decorate if necessary. Freshman Angie Dickson said, "I enjoyed the cheerleading style and all the enthusiasm the fans showed."

Kim Hill

MEMBERS OF THE FRESHMAN FOOTBALL TEAM include Front Row: Brian Grider, Todd Toney, DuWayne Cox, Dave Ashenfelter, Shane Goodnight, Chris Myers, Michael Johnson, Charlie Scott, Ed Zimmerman; Row 2: Coach Dick Frankel, Tracy Free, Kirk Bitner, Mike Kirkendall, Rick Sanders, Ricky Bearden, Craig Hulsey, Mark Bilodeau, John Geyer, Coach Bob Burkhalter.

MEMBERS OF THE FRESHMAN BASKETBALL TEAM include Front Row: Ben Stine, Corwin Winger, Mark Bilodeau, Dickie Johnson, Jeff Weideman; Row 2: Coach Bob Burkhalter, Chad Armstrong, Ricky Bearden, Rick Sanders, Brian Grider, Charlie Scott.



FRESHMAN SOUTHPAW CHAD ARMSTRONG, a member of Coach Hoppes' jayvee baseball team, delivers a fastball as a part of his pre-game warm-up tosses as the umpire watches.

THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING CORPS are freshmen Stacy Everman, Christi Hulet, Buffy Unger, Angie Dickson, Steph Wolverton, Michelle Van Winkle.

a little bit of **personal growth**

It was as consistent as night following day as students advanced a grade and became the "new" senior class or the "next" freshman class.

This consistency was extremely beneficial to the students at all of the levels. Besides the obvious increase in the knowledge of the individual, the advancement developed a sense of maturity, broadened the mind and allowed one to gain a "feel" for the wild world that surrounds us.

In addition to the intellectual growth of the students, advancements were made in attaining and developing new friends while at the same time strengthening the current friendships.

Whether the students were aware of it or not, each of them was experiencing "a little bit of personal growth."

Curt Cavin

AS A PART OF THE HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES, Junior Jeff Newlin exhibits his enthusiasm by dressing in the typical professional caddy uniform on "Favorite Career Day."

LOOKING A BIT NERVOUS, Senior Jenny Maenpa watches as her blood pressure is being taken before giving her first blood donation for the Community Blood Drive.

PROVING THEIR "MANLINESS" BY SHAVING THEIR HEADS BALD, the Varsity Football team exhibit their eager anticipation of playing against McCutcheon in the playoff game.

HAVING THE KNOWLEDGE of the use of the computer is a skill needed today. Sophomore Phil Rawles works on a program he has created in Computer Programming class.

SHOWING HOW TRULY UNIQUE THEY ARE, members of the yearbook staff show that they have spirit in preparation for the upcoming Sectional game by dressing up for a Beach-bum day.

Administration helps the community develop a sense of pride in school

By promoting a little bit of growth in new facilities, the curriculum, and in new personnel, the administration has helped the community develop a true feeling of pride in the school.

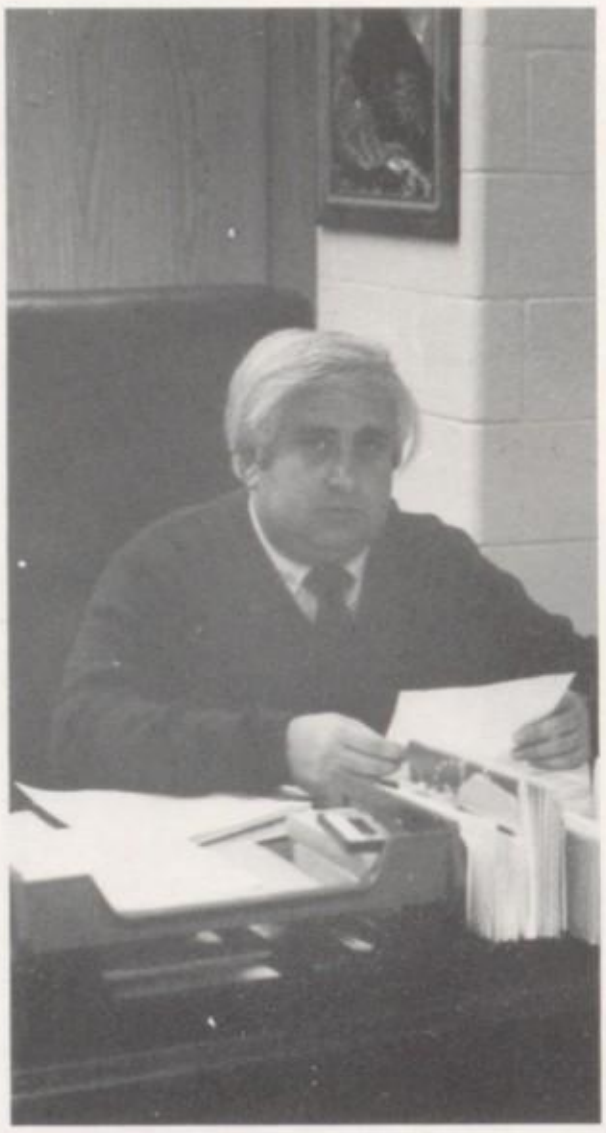
In the area of outdoor improvement, the administration provided renovation and remodeling of the athletic field and parking lots. An entirely new lighting system, running track, mraching practice area for the band, and baseball and concession facilities were also provided. Dr. Lindan B. Hill, school superintendent, confidently stated, "I believe that the students, faculty, staff, and the community at large have benefited many times over from the addition of these new facilities."

In the curriculum, the administration is pursuing the requirements of new technology. According to Dr. Hill, society and the changing requirements of industrial life have dictated to public schools the need for training students in computers. Computers will touch virtually every aspect of life as we know it in the future years. Therefore, the administration believes that by keeping current with the changing needs of society and providing a curricular foundation for students, it will help them as they move into the adult world.

Other new directions involve leadership at the school board level. Three new members — John Alan Davis, Mark Kirkendall and Bob Cupp — were elected.

The administration is proud of the moderate but sustained growth it has obtained. Dr. Hill commented, "During difficult economic times, we feel that sustained growth is indeed a credit to all those people involved in the operation of Western Schools."

Karen Key



MR. CHARLES WOLF doubles as athletic director along with being the vice-principal.

DEAN OF GIRLS Mrs. Jayne Jay seated here with the Dean of Boys Mr. Larry Miller.

THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD ARE Front Row: Dan Carter, Joyce Miller, Mark Kirkendall; Back Row: Ronald Moore, Vice-president; Robert Cupp, Secretary; Kenneth Dieselberg; President, John Davis.

GUIDANCE COUNSELORS ARE Mrs. Julia Berry, Mr. Gene Pearson, and Mr. Jim Plummer.

DR. VIRGINIA GLOVER serves as Director of the Media Department and library staff.

DR. LINDAN HILL, superintendent, resides in his office as he demonstrates his administration abilities and efficiency. Dr. Hill resolves difficult matters that arise in the corporation daily.

AS PRINCIPAL, Mr. Gerard Walter often has the opportunity to talk with parents of their children's achievements in academics, athletics, and other school activities.

Teachers become students once again

Contrary to popular opinion, some teachers do go to school and do know the meaning of school work. These teachers attend school to attain a master's degree, to raise their salaries or to learn new information and techniques to benefit students. Many teachers have only a bachelor's degree when they start teaching. However, Indiana state law requires each teacher to have a master's degree in the subject area in which he is teaching. This degree also allows a person to attain a higher salary.

The salary scale for teachers is based on the amount of schooling received and the number of years experience as a teacher will attain the highest salary possible in this corporation.

Teachers go to school not only for their own educational purposes but also for the benefit of the students. Two business teachers — Mrs. Roberta Lewellyn and Mrs. Lois Patty — had the opportunity to go to school again. For two weeks, they took a class in Word Processing. The class gave them an introduction to the field of word processing.

The students, too, benefited from the course the teachers took. Mrs. Lewellyn commented, "Since understanding word processing is becoming a major skill needed in the business office, I can present material in my typing class of acquaint students with the mechanics and equipment of word processing. It will help them to understand one of the newest functions performed in a business office."

Although some teachers found the classes they took to be helpful, others said that they were nothing but a costly burden. Mrs. Sarah Klepfer, math teacher, commented, "It doesn't help much at all. The classes that I must take to get my master's are not helping me as a teacher. They only help to make my salary higher."

No matter what the purpose, many teachers found themselves taking additional classes. At times, these classes imposed extra work on teachers. In the end, though, teachers and students benefited from this requirement in one way or another.

Karen Shelton

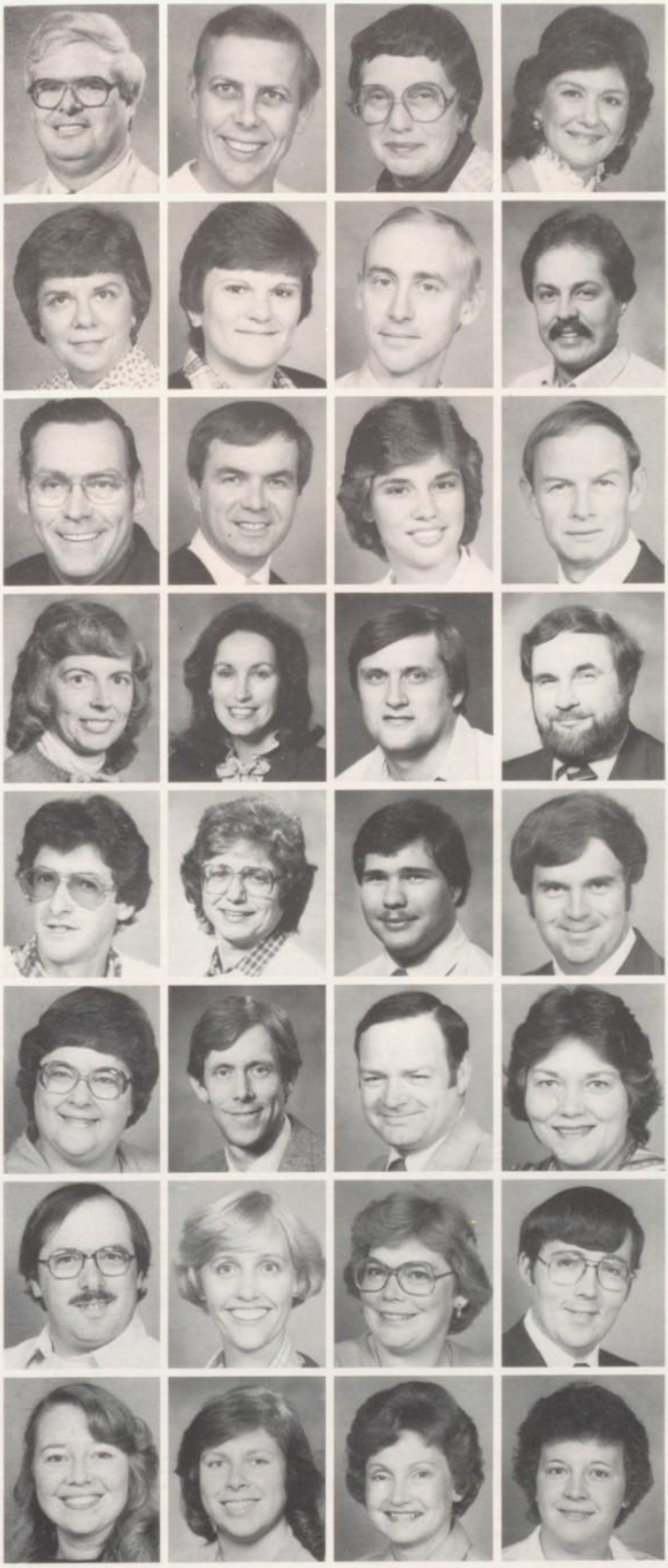
USING INFORMATION LEARNED in her word processing class, Mrs. Patty instructs students.

Adair, Paula; English
Addison, Keith; Social Studies
Allen, Lora; Home Economics
Alter, Lance; English

Arbuckle, James; Social Studies
Ashcraft, Bev; Nurse
Berryman, Kenneth; Art
Beymer, Rick; Science

Bradley, Jerry; Social Studies
Burkhardt, Joyce; English/Health
Cole, Steve; English/Speech
Dechert, Lynda; Foreign Language

Faculty



Dickison, William; Social Studies
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Hanscom, Sally; Vocal Music
Hardacre, Sharon; English/Foreign Language

Harris, Renatta; Foreign Language
Hawkins, Debra; Math
Hole, David; Science
Hoppes, Stephen; Industrial Arts

Huskey, John; Agriculture
Keisling, Duane; Industrial Arts
Klepfer, Sarah; Math
Lake, Jack; Social Studies

Lewellyn, Roberta; Business
Maxwell, Dorie; English
Narwold, Bill; Industrial Arts
Neuhauser, Larry; Instrumental Music

Orr, Joe; Math
Patty, Lois; Business
Phillips, Ron; Science
Pogue, Dennis; Science

Pullen, Brenda; Home Economics
Randak, Steve; Science
Reel, Joe; Math
Richter, Joy; English

Schulte, Dennis; Math
Suffield, Judy; English
Sundheimer, Jet; Art
Taylor, Richard; Math

Walker, Fran; English/Journalism
Whitford, Karen; Flag Corps/Westernettes
Young, Jane; Home Economics
Zinn, Darlene; P.E.

Not Pictured:
Bouslog, Gail; Planetarium Director
Jarrett, Bob; P.E.
Robertson, Dale; Business

Staff maintains school facilities

Maintenance staff is of much importance to the school. The most important jobs staff members perform are keeping the students and their surroundings safe, clean and healthy. These jobs are taken care of by the bus drivers, janitors and cooks.

Bus drivers are responsible for transporting students to and from school. Nineteen-year driver Mr. Maish said, "I feel that it is an important job that benefits both our school patrons and the community. I enjoy the extra trips that give me the opportunity to see athletic events and other activities at all the various levels in our school. The students are the most important part of my job. If it wasn't for them I wouldn't have a job."

The maintenance staff works hard to keep the school clean. The personality of the students pleased the maintenance staff. Phylis Scott enjoyed her job. She commented, "I like the people I work with. I feel a closeness to most of the students. Some of them even call me Mom."

To some students, the cooks are the most important part of a school day. Eleven-year cook Mrs. Fulk commented, "I enjoy my job here because I worked while my chidren were students here. This is sort of like home." But like the rest of the staff, she says, "The students are what makes my job so enjoyable."

Ann Kelly

MAINTENANCE STAFF MEMBERS are Front Row: Earl Collins, Bob Harding, Bill McFarland; Back Row: Darrell Mote, Gloria Young, Paul Dunlap, Ed Young, Diana McCoy.

LIBRARIANS are Marilyn Wooldridge, Sue Combs, Sandy Colby and Dr. Virginia Glover.

Cooks seated: L. Fulk, K. Free, J. Sheperd, C. Jordan; Back Row: R. Miller, J. Snodgrass, P. Scott, C. Brenton, J. Grimme.

Bus drivers seated: C. Fortune, K. Newton, M. Redding, P. Stine; Second Row: R. Tucker, M. Chapman, V. Kuhns, B. Kuhns, W. Unger; Back row: W. Rockey, T. Carter, M. Maish, H. Carter, M. Rawles.

Secretaries seated: N. Slaubaugh, A. Maish, M. Carter; Back Row: J. Smith, J. Donahue, M. Taylor, M. Harth, J. Read, P. Carter.

Goals are achieved by united seniors

Growing, planning and working together, the class of '83 finally reached goals that previously were only dreams. This long process all started when members of the class took their freshman class trip to Turkey Run.

LEADING THE SENIOR CLASS through its final year are Sherri Milburn, vice president; Julie Swartz, secretary; Ron Newbold, president; and Stacy Hamock, treasurer.

Despite the rainy weather, they made the best of the situation and turned the day into a muddy adventure. All returned home muddy and wet, yet happy.

As their sophomore year arrived, a second trip to Turkey Run was taken. And, as a swim in the pool replaced mudfights and being thrown into the river, the class' maturation was evident.

Responsibilities came with their junior year. Planning the Prom took place immediately. Together members worked concessions and got involved in magazine sales in the spring in order to raise funds for class projects.

As the seniors' final year arrived, officers were chosen to lead the class in preparation for graduation. For those planning to attend college, SAT tests, lectures given by college representatives, and mountains of college applications became part of the daily routine. With all these demands being forced upon them, seniors needed to "get away from it all." Spring break offered seniors such an opportunity. Many chose to spend the vacation with friends at Daytona Beach to relax and prepare for their final days of high school.

As graduation neared, members of the class of '83 spent most of their spare time together with friends, cherishing the memories of the years they had spent together. Looking back, they realized that their previous dreams had come true as they had unitedly worked for the same goals that were gradually achieved as their friendships matured.

Karen Key

KEVIN AGAL — FCA 2,3,4, pres 3; NHS 2,3,4; Boys' W-Club 3,4; BB 1,2; BKB 1,2,3; Tennis 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Alternate to Boys' State.
BETH ALDRIDGE — PEA 3; Softball 1,2,3,4.
MARSHA ALDRIDGE — BC 2; FHA 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among High School Students 3; 4-H 1,2.
DAVE ALLEY —NHS 4; BKB 1,3,4.

KARNA ANDERSON — Art Club 1; FHA 1,2; Girls WTL 4; Track 2; Grapplette 3,4; SC 1,2,3,4, reporter 3; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3,4; PC 3; BG 3,4; CC State 3,4.
DAN ARNETT — Science Club 2; Boys' W-Club 3; Mgr. 1; Swimming 2.
GERRY AVERY — Choir 2,3,4; Voce de Western 3; Vocal I 1; Woods Assist.
DENNIS BAILEY — Chess Club 1,2.

JEFF BAYLIFF
TERRI BANJAK — Art Club 1,2,3,4; Camera Club 1,2,3,4; Drama 1,2,3,4; FHA 1; NHS 2,3,4; Science Club 3; Track 1; VB 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Speech Team 1,2,3,4; Play 1,2,3,4; Echo photographer 1,2,3,4; Navy Science Award; 4-H Junior Leaders.
SHEILA BEAN — Pep Club 1; FHA 4; Swimming 1; Track 1,2; Cind 1; PP 1,4; OA 1; PEA 1,3; Gymnastics.
MIKE BELL — BKB 1,2,3,4; FB 3,4.

PAM BENNETT — BC 1; Pep Club 2,3,4; WTL 1; BKB 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; PEA 1.
CLIFF BLUNT — Chess Club 1,2,3; Drama 1; WTL 3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 4; Swing Choir 4; Vocal I 1; Play 1.
JOHN BOEHM — Camera Club 4; FFA 1,2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Wres. 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; PEA 3; JA.
BOB BOGUE — Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; WTL 1,2,3,4; FB 2,3,4; Track 3; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 3,4; Swing Choir 3,4; Vocal I 1; Mountman 2,3.

MONICA BORUFF — Art Club 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; FHA 1,2,3; NHS 3,4; Grapplettes 2,3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; PEA 2; Junior Miss Pageant.
MELANIE BOWLIN — Pep Club 1,3; FCA 1,2,3,4; HS 3,4; FLC 3; NHS 4; Cind 1,2,4; Echo 4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,3.
LISA BRANNON — PP 1,2.
ROD BREWER — FFA 2,4; Track 1.

APRIL BROWN — Pep Club 1,2,3; FCA 1,2; HS 2,3; NHS 2,3,4; Class treas 3; Cheerleader 1,2,3; Cind 1; SC 2,3,4; PP 2,3,4; OA 2,3.
KIM BROWN — Art Club 4; Grapplettes 2; PP 2,3,4; OA 2.
BARB BRUECKNER — Exchange student from West Germany; Girls' W-Club 4; Tennis 4; VB 4; PEA 4.
CHIP BRUNT — FCA 1,2,3; Boys' W-Club 1,2,3,4; BB 1,2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3,4; Tennis 1,2,3,4; Class pres 1,2; OA 2,3; Prom Prince.

KIM BRYAN — Choir 1; Glee Club 1; Vocal I 1; MA 2.
DUANE BUCKNER — FB 3.
SHERRI BUCKNER — Pep Club 1,2,3; FCA 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; HS 3,4; FLC 3,4; Choir 4; Cind 1,2; Echo 4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3.
SHAWN BURNETTE — Camera Club 3,4; Drama 2,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Echo 3; Band Assist 3.

Seniors

JOHN BUSHONG
ALAN CAMP
LYNETTE CARDWELL — PP 1,3; 4-H; AVS: HOE vice pres.
BEVERLEY CARSON — Art Club 1,2; BC 1; Pep Club 3; Drama 1,2,3; FCA 2,3,4; FHA 1,2; HS 2,3, sec 3; FLC 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Tennis 3; Grapplettes 1,2,3; Westernettes 4; Cind 2; Choir 3; Glee Club 2, pres 2; Vocal I 1; Speech Team 3; Echo 3,4; PP 1,2,3.

TROY CARTER — FB 1; PEA 1.
CURT CAVIN — Camera Club 4; FCA 3,4; HS 4; NHS 2,3,4; Boys' W-Club 4; BKB 2; CC 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Choir 2,3; Vocal I, pres 1; Echo 3,4, assist ed 4; Boys' State Alternate 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4.
LISA CLICK — NHS 2,3,4; BKB 2; VB 1,3,4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 2; Western Union 4; PP 2; OA 3.
NEIL CLOUSER — FCA 1,2,3,4; Track 1; PPCH 3,4; MA 1.

JOAN COFFEY — FCA 1; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Tennis 2; VB 1,2,3; Choir 1,3,4; Vocal I 1; Panther Mascot 3; Echo 3; OA 2,3.
SHERRI COLBY — FCA 2; HS 3,4; Cind 1; Echo 4; PP 1,2,3,4; SC 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,3.
DONNA COLE — FCA 2; Mgr. 3; Cind 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,3.
TINA COLWELL — Art Club 1; FLC 1,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students.

ANITA COWAN — BC 1; Pep Club 1; FLC 1,2; Color Guard 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1; Vocal I 1; OA 4; Who's Who Among American High School Students.
TINA COX — FHA 4.
ANDREA DAMON — FLC 1,2,3; NHS 4; Chori 3,4; Glee Club 3; Vocal I 1.
JANE DAUGHERTY — Art Club 1,2,3,4; 4-H.

PENNY DAVENPORT — Art Club 1, Vocal I 1; PP 2,4.
TIM DEGENKOLB — WTL 4; Track 1; PPCH 4.
TONI DELLINGER — FCA 1,2,3; FHA 1,2,3; Track 1; Class vice pres 1; Westernettes 2,3,4; Cheerleader 1; SC 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1.
MARK DUNKIN — NHS 4; BKB 1,3; FB 4; Track 3,4; Western Union 4.

Bean enjoys coaching young gymnasts

"The highlights of my gymnastics career have been working toward the State Championship meet and going to this meet with the girls I coached on teams III and IV at the Gymnastics Factory," said Senior Sheila Bean.

At the start of her career, she received two firsts in the Beginning Class Routine Championships. "When I won the Beginning Class Routine, it made me want to work harder so I could improve myself," said Bean. After more practice, she moved up to the Intermediate Class Championships where she received one second place and two third placings.

SENIOR SHEILA BEAN shows her skills on the mini trampoline at Kokomotion. After injuring herself during a routine, Bean decided to give up competing to coach others.

But after four years of competing, Bean decided to coach because of several injuries. "Injuries can happen so easily in gymnastics. One time I fell on the beam while doing a back handspring. It hurt my back and left kidney. The fear of getting hurt again helped me make the decision to coach," said Bean.

With her experience of competing, Bean could relate her personal experiences to her students as well as give them the advice that was given to her. She went through the same up and down times with her students as she did when she competed. "It is a special feeling when a person you coach gets all firsts at State or National competition. In fact, it's a lot like I was in their shoes," commented Bean.

Marcia Read

DACIA FIELDS — FCA 2; HS 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Cind 1; Echo 4; PP 1,2,4; OA 1,2,3.
KIM FIVECOATE — Pep Club 1,2,3; FCA 1; FHA 1,2,3; Cind 2; Echo 4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2,3.
DENNIS FRANK — CC 1,2,3; Golf 1,2,4.
DENNIS FREIDLINE — Choir 2,4; Vocal I 1.

JOHN GABBARD — FCA 3,4; HS 3,4; FLC 1; Science Club 4; Boys' W-Club 4; Track 1,2,3,4; CC 2,3,4; FB 1; Band 1; Pep Band 1.
DAWN GAINES — FHA 1; LE 1; Track 1; PP 1,2,3,4.
DAWN GARNER — FLC 2; NHS 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2; OA 3.
TAMMY GEIGER — BC 1,2; FCA 2; Echo photographer 3; Girls' W-Club 3,4; Mgr. 3; Track 2.

Stout pitches Post 6 to series berth

Baseball is one of America's favorite pastimes. And, when most people think about baseball, the World Series is one of the first things that appears in their minds. During this past summer, though, people throughout the country had a tendency to forget about the famed Yankees and the other great major league teams.

Instead, a group of 20 local boys stole the hearts of the people as they marched their way to Boyertown, Pennsylvania, to participate in the American Legion World Series. Represented on the Post 6 ballclub was even a little bit of Panther talent. That talent appeared in the form of Senior Jake Stout. He was a significant factor in the success of the team as he posted an impressive 5-1 pitching mark.

"It really was a thrilling experience. Playing in Boyertown was unbelieveable. They had just about everybody in the entire town at the game and the noise level was just incredible. They reacted with every pitch. We felt like we were playing in the majors," said Stout.

After the team captured the State tournament, it traveled to Arlington Heights, Illinois, where it won the National Regional. With the victory, the team gained a berth in the World Series.

"We really wanted to win the State. We figured that everything that we won after that was just bonus. But after we won a game or two up there, we felt that we could keep winning. We went into Boyertown confident that we had a shot at it," explained Stout.

And indeed they did have a shot at it. They opened up the double elimination tournament with two victories before dropping the next two games to claim the fourth place spot.

"It was an experience that I will never forget. It was so great to have the community backing us like they were. We really appreciated that," commented Stout.

Curt Cavin

SENIOR AMERICAN LEGION PITCHER
Jake Stout rifles a fastball toward home plate.

RON GEYER — FCA 1,2,3,4; HS 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Boys' W-Club 4; WTL 1,2,3,4; FB 2,3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 3,4; Swing Choir 3,4; Vocal I 1; JA pres 4.
SAMANTHA GIFFORD — Art Club 4; FCA 4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; Track 2; Mgr. 2,3,4; Swim 1,2,3,4; PEA 2,3.
GENA GOODNIGHT — Art Club 4; PP 1,2,3,4.
LISA GRIMME — FCA 4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; Trainer 1,2,3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2,3,4.

ANDREA GROSS — Choir 1; Vocal I 1; Cind 1; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,4.
MISSY GUY — Choir 1,4; Glee Club 2; Cind 2; MA 2.
JOE HAMILTON — WTL 1,2; FB 1,4; Golf 3; Wres 1,2.
STACY HAMOCK — FCA 1,2,3; FHA 1,2,3; NHS 2,3,4; LE 1; Class Treas 4; Echo 3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4.

LORNA HARBAUGH — Art Club 1; BC 2; FCA 1; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; VB 1,2,3,4; Choir 3,4; Echo 3,4.
MARCY HARVEY — Art Club 3,4, sec/treas 4; Drama 1,2,3,4; FHA 2; HS 2,3,4; FLC 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4, treas 4; Flag Corps 2,3,4, capt 4; Junior Miss 4; Girls' State; Who's Who Among American High School Students.
GINGER HAYES — NHS 3,4; Choir 4; Glee Club 2,3; Cind 1,2,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,3.
ROBIN HELTON — Pep Club 1,3; FCA 1,3,4; FHA 2,3; Girls' W-Club 1,3,4; Swim 1,2,4; Track 1,2,3,4, capt 3; Cheerleader 3; Grapplettes 1,2; Echo 4; PP 3; OA 3.

CHERYL HELVIG — FCA 1,2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4, sec 4; Girls' W-Club 3,4, vice pres 3,4; Tennis 2; Track 1; VB 1,2,3; Echo 3,4; PP 4; OA 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4.
SANDY HENDERSON — Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3; Echo 3,4; PP 1,2,4; Echo photographer 4.
BRENDA HILL — FHA 2; Choir 1; PEA 1,3.
KIM HILL — Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FCA 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3; NHS 2,3,4, vice pres 3; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Cind 1,2; Echo 4; SC 2,3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2,3; Pc 3; HQC 4.

JULIE HITE — Pep Club 3; FHA 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2.
LISA HOFFMAN — FCA 1,2,3; FHA 1,2; Cind 1; Echo 3; SC 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1,3.
ANNIE HOLMES
JAY HOWE — Art Club 4; Chess Club 1,2,3,4; Media 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Western Union 4; MA 1,2,3,4.

JIM HUDSON — FFA 2; BB 1; BKB 1; FB 1.
TRACY HUTCHISON — Pep Club 1; FCA 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3; FLC 3,4; NHS 4; Girls' W-Club 4; Track 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Westernettes 1,2,3,4; Cind 1; SC 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4.
DIANE HUTSON — BKB 1,3; VB 1,2,3.
PETE ISHAM — FLC 3,4; WTL 1,2,3.

NANCY JACKSON — BC 4; Pep Club 2,4; FCA 2,4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; Swim 2,4; Band 1; Cind 1; OA 4; PEA 1.
MATT JOHNSON
CURT JOHNSON — FCA 3,4; FLC 3,4; Science Club 3; WTL 3; PPCH 3,4; NHS 3,4.
RICHARD JOHNSON — FFA 4; FB 1; Wres 1.

Seniors

RICHARD JONES
TONY KANABLE — WTL 3,4; BB 1; FB 3,4.
MINDY KAUFMAN — NHS 2,3,4; Mgr. 1,2; Choir 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1; OA 1,2.
ANN KELLY — Echo photographer 2,3,4; Drama 2,3,4; HS 2,3,4; FLC 2,3,4, vice pres 3, pres 4; VB 2; Band 1,2,3,4, sec 3; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Echo 3,4, photo coordinator 4; PP 4.

JULIA KELLY — BC 1; FCA 3,4; NHS 3,4; Science Club 3; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3; Mgr 1,2; Band 1,2; Pep Band 1; OA 3.
KAREN KEY — Pep Club 1,2,3; FHA 1,2,3,4; HS 2,3,4; FLC 4; NHS 4; Echo 3,4; PP 1,2,4; Who's Who Among American Students.
SHELLY KING — BC 2,3; FCA 2,3,4; FHA 3; NHS 4; Choir 3,4.
KELLY KNOLL — Pep Club 1; Drama 1,2,3; FCA 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3; HS 3,4; FLC 1,2,3,4; WTL 3; Mgr. 2,3,4; Track 2; Band 1,2,3,4; Westernettes 3,4; School Play 1,2; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 1.

BECKY LAHEE — BC 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; FHA 1,3; Media 1; Choir 1,2,3,4; Swing Choir 4; Vocal I 1; Cind 1,2; PP 3,4; OA 3; MA 2.
JEFF LAKE — Drama 1,2; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3; School Play 1; Echo 3,4; Echo photographer 2,3,4.
MIKE LALONDE — Boys' W-Club 3,4; Golf 1,2,3,4; OA 3,4.
CHRIS LEACH — FCA 1,2; NHS 2,3,4; BB 1,2; BKB 1; FB 1,4; Tennis 2; Mountman 3; PPCH 1,2,3.

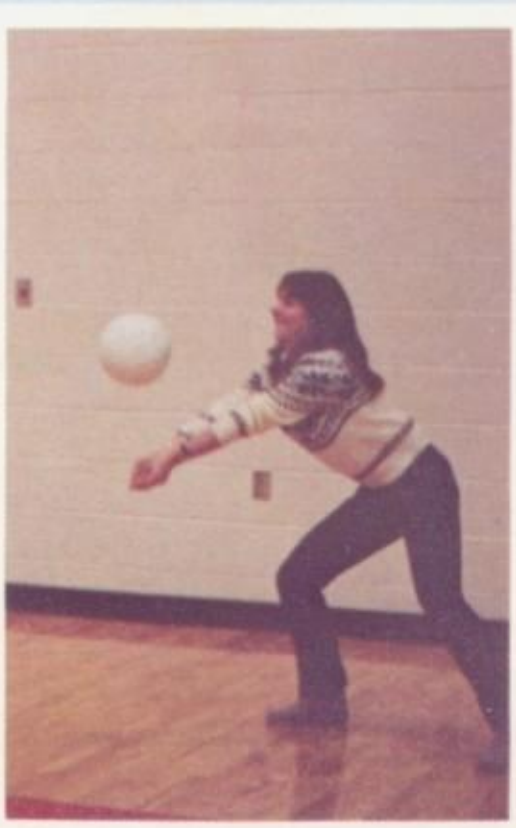
PAT LENNON — Track 4; PPCH 4.
LORI LEWIS — Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 2,3; HS 2,3,4; FLC 3,4; Science Club 4; Cind 1,2,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3.
MARTY LEWIS — FCA 1,2; NHS 3,4; WTL 1,2; FB 1,2; Track 1; Wres 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4, drum major 4; Pep Band 3,4; PEA 2,3.
SUSAN LINDSEY — Drama 1; FCA 3,4; FLC 3; NHS 2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3; Track 2; Westernettes 1,2,3,4, capt 4; Glee Club 2; Vocal I 1; SC 3.

MICHELLE LINSON — Glee Club 2,3; Vocal I 1.
SCOTT LIPINSKI
MARK LONDON — FB 1; Tennis 3; OA 2; Woods Assist. 3.
KELLI LONG — FLC 2; Media 3; PP 1,2,3.

MARSHA LONG — Pep Club 2; FCA 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2; NHS 2,3,4; Tennis 2; Westernettes 4; Flag Corps 3; Cind 1; Grapplettes 1,2,3; PP 1,2,4; PEA 3.
LINDA LONGFELLOW — HS 4; FLC 3,4, vice pres 4; NHS 3,4; Science Club 3,4; MA 3; Flag Corps 4.
ROD MADDOX — Boys' W-Club 3,4; Swim 1,2,3,4; PEA 3,4.
JENNY MAENPA — Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FCA 1,2,3,4, sec 3; FHA 1,2; NHS 2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Cind 1,2; Echo 4; SC 1,2,3,4, sec 3, pres 4; PP 1,2,3; PC 3.

BRENDA MANSHIP — BC 1; Pep Club 3; FCA 2,3; FHA 1,2,3,4; HS 1,2,3,4, treas 4; FLC 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 2; Vocal I 1; Cind 1,2,4; OA 3,4.
NEIL MARCUS — Boys' W-Club 3,4; WTL 1,2,3,4; FB 1,2,3,4; Wres 1,2,3; Band 1.
MARK MARTIN — Boys' W-Club 4; WTL 4; FB 1,4; BKB 1.
POLLY MARTIN — Drama 1; NHS 3,4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 2; Madrigals 4; Swing Choir 4; Vocal I 1; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3; MA 2.

West German student enjoys changes



BY MOVING TO AMERICA, Senior Barb Brueckner is able to participate in extracurricular activities such as the girls' volleyball team that she could not have enjoyed in at home in Germany.

"Willkommen zu Amerika" (Welcome to America) was the greeting given to Barbara Brueckner when she arrived in the United States last summer.

Barbara came from West Germany to spend the year in the United States. Some of the reasons that she came here were to form her own personality, to make new friends, to study the mentality and culture of America and to improve her English.

Her family life in the states was quite different from that in her own country. In the United States, she lived with the Donald Carson family and had both a younger brother and sister, lived in the country, and spent most of her spare time with her family. "I really enjoyed living in America. I had the chance to make new friends at my school," stated Barbara. In Germany, though, she only had an older brother, lived in town and spent her spare time with her friends.

Besides experiencing a change in lifestyle, Barbara also found American schools to be different. She said that school here is much easier than school in Germany. In her native country, all students must take a foreign language, and students do not have the same class every day.

The teenagers were different, too. In America, girls looked older from the use of make-up than the girls in Germany. Also, the driving age in Germany was 18 and not many students had automobiles.

While moving away from family and friends to spend a year of one's life in a foreign country may not sound desirable, it was the thrill of a lifetime for Barbara.

Jeff Lake

Kelly enjoys Symphony opportunity

"Bettering my ability was one of my main goals. I played in an orchestra at a Ball State Music Camp and liked it a lot. Then when the Kokomo Symphony Orchestra asked me to audition, I thought it was a good opportunity to better my playing," commented Senior Ann Kelly.

The Kokomo Symphony Orchestra discovered Kelly to be a gifted and talented musician. Her ability to play the French horn, demonstrated through auditioning, prompted them to invite her to perform with them.

Her zeal toward music inspired her to stick with the orchestra. Although she would have liked to play more in an orchestra, the school system did not provide for one.

"The orchestra has given me more experience which I may need later on in life." said Kelly.

Dedication was required in being a part of the orchestra. In her spare time, she practiced the symphony music everyday for an hour. For about two hours every Wednesday, she practiced with the orchestra. This was all in preparation for playing in the Octoberfest, in the malls at Christmas time, and in the Kokomo-Center elementary schools.

Working with professionals also prompted her to stay active in the orchestra for three years. "It is 95 percent professionals who have degrees in music. Working with professionals makes me want to perform like one. It has taught me to strive for more perfection and made me take playing more seriously," concluded Kelly.

Karen Shelton

PREPARING FOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT at Havens Auditorium at IUK, Senior band member Ann Kelly practices her solo for Leroy Anderson's "Christmas Music."

STEVE MARTIN
LISA MAUGANS — Art Club 1,2,3,4; Drama 1,2,3,4; FCA 1,2,3,4, pres 4; NHS 2,3,4, pres 4; Science Club 3; Girls' W-Club 2,3,4; BKB 1,2; Tennis 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Vocal I 1; School Play 1,3,4; PP 1,2,4.
KIRK MCANINCH — Chess Club 1; Drama 3,4; FLC 3,4; CC 1; Track 4; Band 1; Speech Team 2,3,4; MA 4.
TERRA MCGAHA — Glee Club 3.

TINA MCGAHA — Art Club 1; Glee Club 3; Vocal I 1; PP 1,4.
MIKE MCGINNIS — BKB 11.
TIM MCGINNIS
SHERRI MILBURN — Art Club 1; BC 1,3,4; Drama 3,4; FCA 1,2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4, pres 4; WTL 3; BKB 1,2,3,4, capt 4; Track 1,2,3,4; VB 1,2,3,4, capt 4; Class sec 2,3, vice pres 4; Westernettes 3; SC 1,2,3,4; OA 1,2,3; PEA 4; Girls' State 3; Who's Who 4; Prom Princess 3; Homecoming Queen 4.

BILL MILLER — Camera Club 3,4; Chess Club 1,2,3; Drama 2,3,4; HS 4; FLC 1,2,3; NHS 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; Mgr. 1; Wres 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Speech Team 3,4; School Play 2,3,4.
TIM MILLER
YUKO MIZUNO — Exchange student from Japan; Vocal I 4.
MANDY MOORE — Art Club 3,4; Drama 2,3; FCA 1; Mgr. 1,3; Track 1; Band 2; Speech Team 1; School Play 2; PP 1,3,4; OA 3; PEA 2.

TERESA MOORE — FHA 2; Glee Club 2,3; Vocal I 1,4; MA 2.
MICHELLE MORRIS — FHA 2,3; FLC 3; Cind 2; PP 2; OA 2,3.
DAVE MOSER
SUZETTE MOYER — FHA 1,2,3,4, treas 1, vice president 3, pres 4; HS 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; BKB 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1; Westernettes 2,3,4; Color Guard 1; Speech Team 3; Echo 4; PP 1,2,3,4; Who's Who 4.

ROBIN MYERS — FCA 2; FHA 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Flag Corps 4; Cind 1,2; Echo photographer 1; Pep Club 1.
RON NEWBOLD — Art Club 2; FCA 1,2; FLC 1; Boys' W-Club 3,4; WTL 1,2; BKB 1; Tennis 1,2,3; Track 1,2; Western Union 4; SC 2,3,4; PPCH 1,2,3; PEA 3; Class sec 1, treas 2, vice pres 3, pres 4.
MELANIE OREM — FCA 1,2,3; FHA 1; NHS 4; Westernettes 2,3; Grappletes 1; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 3.
DAN OTIS — Chess Club 2,3; WTL 3,4; Band 1; OA 3.

CINDY PARRA — FLC 1,2,3; Choir 1,2; PP 1.
DENISE PERKINS — Mgr. 1; Choir 1,2; Glee Club 1; Vocal I 1; PP 1,2; OA 1,2.
KIT PFINGST — Tennis 3; Choir 4; Vocal I 3.
TAMMY POWERS — Mgr. 4; Band 3,4; Flag Corps 4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 1,2; Vocal I 1; Cind 1; PP 1,3,4; OA 3.

MARCIA READ — Pep Club 1; Drama 2,3,4; FCA 1,2,3; HS 1,2; NHS 2,3,4; Track 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Westernettes 1,2,3; Drum Major 4; Speech Team 2,3; Echo 4, business manager; PP 1,2; OA 3; PEA 1,3.
SUSIE REED — OA 2.
STEVE RENNAKER
JOHN RENSHAW — FCA 1,2,3; Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; FB 1,4; Wres 1; Echo 3; PPCH 1,2.

Student adapts to different culture

As the Japanese girl boarded the plane, she waved good-bye to her family and prepared herself to embark on a new way of life.

Senior Yuko Mizuno decided to spend a year as a foreign exchange student with a new family and surroundings because she wanted to discover the differences between the culture and habits of her people and that of Americans.

The first of the differences came while Mizuno was staying with her host family, the Eugene Gabbard's. Mizuno found American food to be very different than Japanese food. "American food is much thicker than Japanese food, but I seemed to get used to it quickly," commented Mizuno.

The way American schools operated was unusual to the foreign exchange student. "In Japan, the teachers change from room to room, and the students stay in one room all day," she said. In adapting to the differences in schools, studying for classes was difficult for Mizuno. Once she understood the English language, though, she found studying to be easy.

In her spare time, Mizuno kept herself busy doing craft projects and watching television. Mizuno enjoyed television in America because there were many different shows that were not aired in Japan. "There are only six channels on TV in the area I live in. Some American programs that are on are 'Chips' and 'The Greatest American Hero.' "

Although she missed her family and her country, Yuko enjoyed her stay in the United States, but, most of all, it satisfied her urge to understand the American culture better.

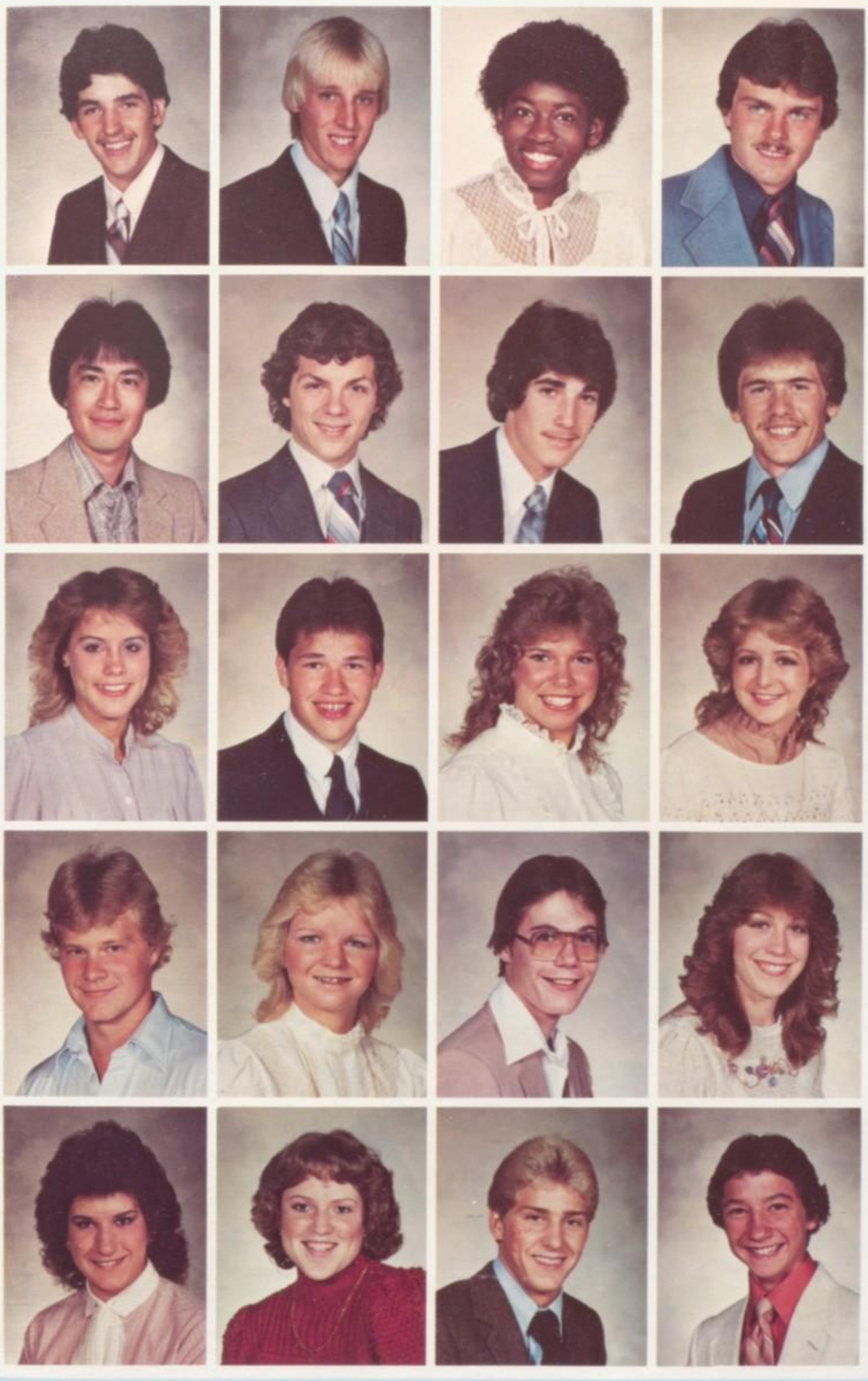
Robin Helton/Karen Shelton

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT, Senior Yuko Mizuno relaxes in the home of her host family.

LANCE RICE — FCA 1,2,3,4; Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; BKB 1,2; FB 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Wres 3.
KIM RIVERS — Art Club 1,2,3,4, sec 3, vice pres 4; Drama 1,2,4; HS 2,3,4, vice pres 4; FLC 2,4; NHS 2,3,4; Tennis 1,2; Echo editor 4; PP 4; OA 2; Flag Corps 2,3,4, capt 3,4; DAR Good Citizen 4; Girls' State.
MONICA ROCKEY — Art Club 4; BC 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3; Tennis 1,2; Flag Corps 2,3,4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 2; Vocal I 1.
BLAKE ROLLINS — FCA 2,3; Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; WTL 1,2,3,4; FB 1,2,3,4; Golf 1,2,3,4; Madrigals 3; Mountman 3,4; OA 3; PEA 1.

JOHN RUSSEAU — FFA 2,3,4; WTL 1,2; FB 1,2; Wres 1,2,3.
DENA SCHMITT — Pep Club 1,2; FCA 2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; WTL 3; Swim 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3.
DONNA SCHMITT — Pep Club 1,2; FCA 2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; WTL 3; Swim 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3.
KAREN SCHUMACHER — Art Club 1,2,3,4, vice pres 3, pres 4; BC 1; Drama 1; HS 3,4; NHS 2,3,4, vice pres 4; Girls' W-Club 2,3,4, sec 2, vice pres 3; Mgr. 1; Tennis 2,3,4; Color Guard 2; Flag Corps 3,4, capt 4; SC 2,3,4; OA 3,4.

Seniors



STEVE SCOTT — Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; WTL 1,2,3,4; FB 1,2,3,4; Track 3; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 4; Swing Choir 4; Vocal I 1; Boys' State.
BRIAN SHEETS — Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4.
KAREN SHELTON — Camera Club 2,4; Band 1,2,3; Echo 3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2.
GERALD SHERROD — FFA 2; WTL 2.

JOE SHORT
STEVE SIMMONS — FCA 2,3; WTL 2,3; BB 1,2; PEA 3.
RANDY SMITH — FCA 1,2; Boys' W-Club 2,3,4; WTL 1,2,3,4; BKB 1; FB 1,2,3,4; OA 2; All-County FB Center 4; All-Conference FB Center 4.
TIM SMITH — FFA 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4.

KIM STINE — Art Club 1,2; Pep Club 1; Drama 1; NHS 4; Girls' W-Club 3,4; Track 1,2,3; Westernettes 4; Cind 4; PP 1,2; OA 3; MA 1.
MIKE STOUT — Art Club 2,3; BC 1; Drama 2; Golf 1; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 3,4; Swing Choir 4; OA 1,3; MA 1.
SABRINA STREET — Art Club 1,2,3; Drama 3; FCA 3,4; HS 3; FLC 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Science Club 3,4; Tennis 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; PP 3,4; Jr. Miss.
JULIE SWARTZ — Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FCA 2,3,4; FHA 2; Track 1; Class sec 4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; PP 1,2,3,4; OA 2; Junior Miss 4.

KELLY TEDLOCK — FB 1; Wres 1.
LORI THOMAS — FCA 1,2,3,4, treas 3,4; FHA 1; NHS 2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 3,4, treas 4; BKB 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Westernettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 3,4, treas 4; Glee Club 2, vice pres 2; Vocal I 1, vice pres; Cind 4; SC 1,2,3,4; PP 1,3,4; OA 3; MA 1.
MATT THOMAS — Chess Club 1,2,3,4; LE 1,2; Media 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Vocal I 1; MA 1,2; JA 2,3,4.
DENA VENT — Tennis 1,2; PP 1,2,3.

JILL VOSTATEK — Pep Club 1,2; FCA 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Girls' W-Club 1,2,3,4; Girls WTL 3; Swim 1,2,3,4, capt; Track 1,2,3; Grapplettes 4; Western Union 4; OA 1,2,4.
DEBBIE WEBSTER — FLC 3; 4-H.
BRIAN WEEKS — Boys' W-Club 1,2,3,4; CC 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Wres 1,2,3; PPCH 2,3; PEA 2.
BILL WHITE — Art Club 2; FCA 1,2,3,4; Boys' W-Club 3,4, vice pres 4; BKB 1,2; CC 2,3,4; County Team Capt 4: FB 1; Track 1,2,3,4; PPCH 1,2; OA 3.

Seniors

JOHN WHITE — Choir 2,3; Vocal 1.
MIKE WILLIAMS — FCA 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; W-Club 2,3,4, treas 4; CC 1,2,3,4; Swim 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; PEA 1,2,4.
CYNDE WINGER — BC 1; Drama 1; FCA 3,4; FHA 1,2; NHS 2,3,4; W-Club 1,2,3,4; BKB 1,2,3,4; Mgr. 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 2,3,4; Choir 3,4; Glee Club 2; Vocal 1; OA 1,3.
MYRON WRIGHT

DON YODER — BC 2; Chess Club 1; FFA 3; Band 1; Mgr. 1.
JO ZIMMERMAN — Art Club 1,2,3,4; Echo Photographer 3,4; Drama 1,2,3,4; FLC 1,2,3,4, treas 3,4; WTL 3; Mgr. 1; Swim 2; Tennis 2,3; Band aid 3,4; Speech Team 3,4; Play 1,2,3,4; PP 3.

Abbreviations

BB — Baseball
BC — Bible Club
BG — Batgirl
BKB — Basketball
BKB Stat. — Basketball Statistician
CC — Cross Country
Cind. — Cinderette
FB — Football
FCA — Fellowship of Christian Athletes
FFA — Future Farmers of America
FHA — Future Homemakers of America
FLC — Foreign Language Club
HS — Historical Society
HQ — Homecoming Queen
HQC — Homecoming Queen Court
LE — Law Enforcement Club
MA — Media Assistant
Media — Media Club
Mgr. — Student Manager
NHS — National Honor Society
OA — Office Assistant
PC — Prom Court
PEA — Physical Education Assistant
PKC — Powderpuff King Court
PP — Powderpuff
PPCH — Powderpuff Cheerleader
SC — Student Council
VB — Volleyball
WDC — Winter Dance Court
Wres. — Wrestling
WTL — Weightlifting

PROUDLY ACCEPTING A FEW OF THEIR MANY AWARDS at the Lewis Cass band competition are Drum Majors Junior Mindy Shuck, Senior Marty Lewis and Senior Marcia Read.

"Seniors"
Yeh — We — Bad!

CLASS SIZE — 183 members: 102 girls, 81 boys

CLASS MOTTO — "Education is the first step on the stairway to a prosperous life."

CLASS COLORS — Black and Silver
CLASS FLOWER — Carnation
CLASS SPONSORS — Mrs. Julia Berry and Mr. Dennis Pogue

JUNIOR PROM THEME — "Stairway to the Stars"
Princess — Sherri Milburn
Prince — Chip Brunt

GRADUATION DATE — May 20, 1983!

NOT PICTURED:
Terry Boggs
Kurry Brown
Kim Burden
Steve Campbell
Steve Coonce
Lisa Dalton
Damon Feightner
Angie Fetterhoff
Pat Lewis
Robin Reynolds
Raymond Sebree
Jake Stout

Juniors meet new responsibilities

In earning the respect and the admiration of the underclassmen, members of the class of '84 showed how unique they were. No longer were they viewed as a bunch of children only at school to have fun, but they were seen as a group of individuals who cared about learning and improving.

Throughout the year, the juniors worked toward a common goal — a successful Prom. Devoting countless hours selling concessions and magazines, the class was able to make the Prom a success. "We have dedicated officers and sponsors, and all of the other class members are hard workers who get the job done," commented Cathy Perry, treasurer.

By helping each other, juniors successfully met new responsibilities and gained a little more respect from the rest of the school.

Jeff Lake

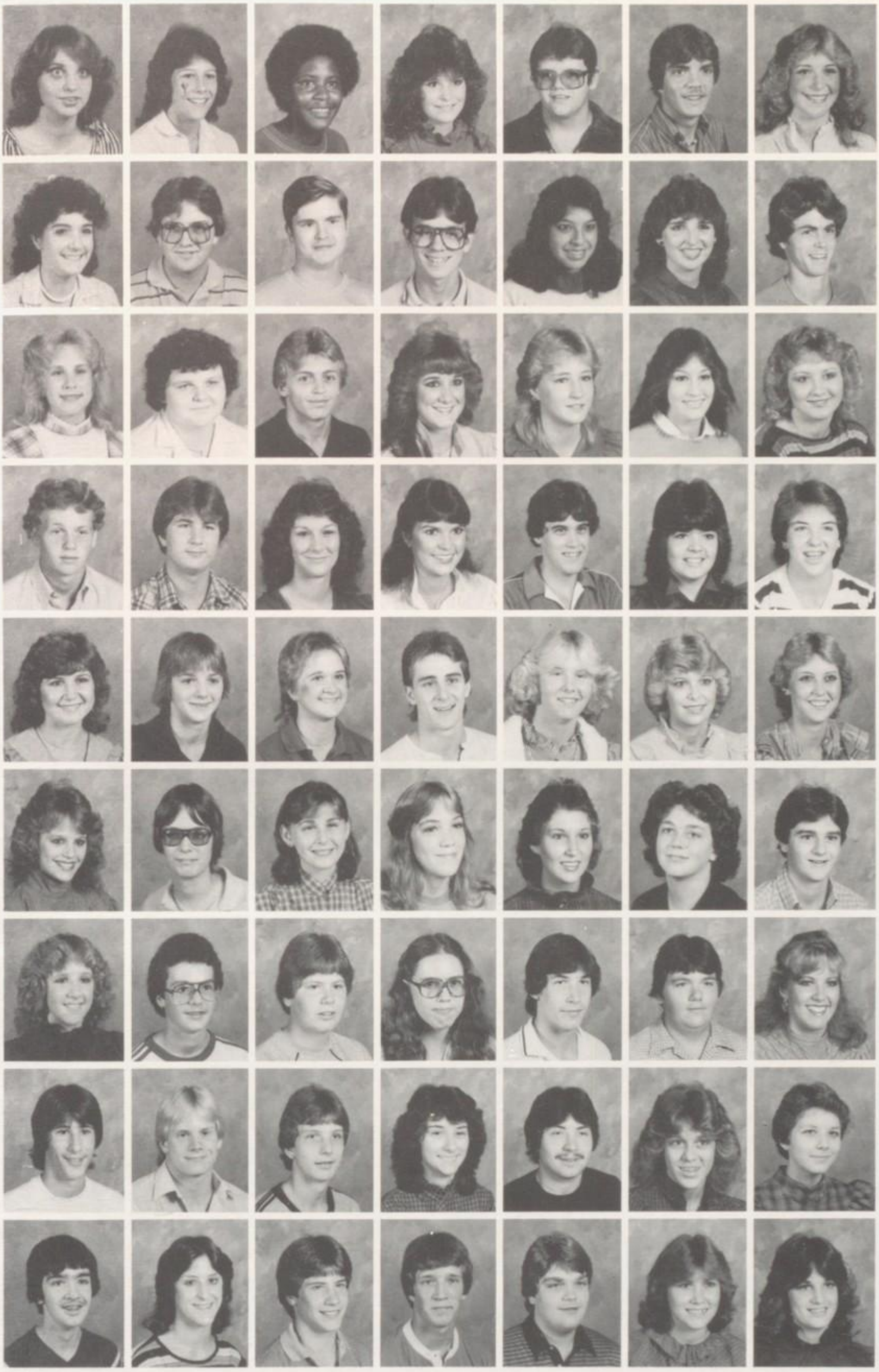
LEADING MEMBERS OF THE JUNIOR CLASS are the elected class officers Jeff Newlin, president; Cathy Perry, treasurer; Lori Weir, secretary; and Mark Love, vice-president.

Aaron, Larry
Abbott, Brenda
Abston, Bryan
Aguila, Lourdes
Allen, Jolene
Arbuckle, Mary
Ashcraft, Darin

Ault, Randy
Barnett, Doug
Barrett, Brenda
Bastin, Valerie
Bewley, Greg
Bledsoe, Tim
Bliss, Tom

Boe, Kevin
Boehm, Jim
Bogue, Curt
Boles, Rod
Boodt, Deani
Boothby, Tammy
Boyd, Jenny

Juniors



Bradley, Rhonda
Brindle, Amy
Brown, Paige
Brown, Shannon
Bryan, Mark
Bugher, Greg
Burkhart, LeeAnne

Carey, Martha
Carson, Rusty
Carter, Kyle
Casselman, Jim
Chen, Cindy
Church, Rochele
Clevenger, Brett

Cline, Tresha
Collins, Kelly
Conyers, Rob
Coomer, Dawn
Corbin, Tina
Corn, Elizabeth
Cox, Darcy

Crew, John
Crim, Kevin
Crume, Lori
Culbertson, Tawni
Davis, Dale
DeWeese, Page
Dillman, Sally

Donley, Lisa
Downs, Jennifer
Edwards, Lisa
Eldridge, Robert
Ellis, Sherry
Ennis, Michele
Etherington, Tammy

Fenimore, Susan
Fernung, Todd
Fields, Rhonda
Fogle, Dorothy
Fortune, Jerelyn
Frank, Cynthia
Gaskins, Ron

Gerhart, Linda
Gilbert, Brian
Grant, Todd
Hanson, Nancy
Hanson, Tim
Harding, Ron
Hargraves, Kelly

Harris, Joe
Harris, Todd
Hayes, Pat
Heltzel, Julie
Hemming, Ronnie
Hewitt, Lisa
Hewitt, Melody

Hewitt, Robert
Hill, Donna
Holder, Todd
Hopwood, Brian
Horton, Jim
Hossom, Betsy
Hotsinpillar, Suzanne

Juniors

Jarrett, Becky
Keegan, Robin
Kelly, Kristi
Kirkendall, Dawn
Krajewski, Matt
Lamb, Candy
Lange, Steve

Lawson, Lisa
Lawson, Misty
Lawson, Todd
Lewis, Jackie
Lipinski, Jeff
Love, Mark
Love, Mike

Luecke, Evelyn
Maish, Beth
Maish, Laura
Malone, Tim
Manship, Rick
Marley, Bob
Martin, Tim

Mashino, Rob
McBay, Dan
Meeker, Vonda
Meyer, David
Moore, Kim
Morgan, Candy
Morgan, Kevin

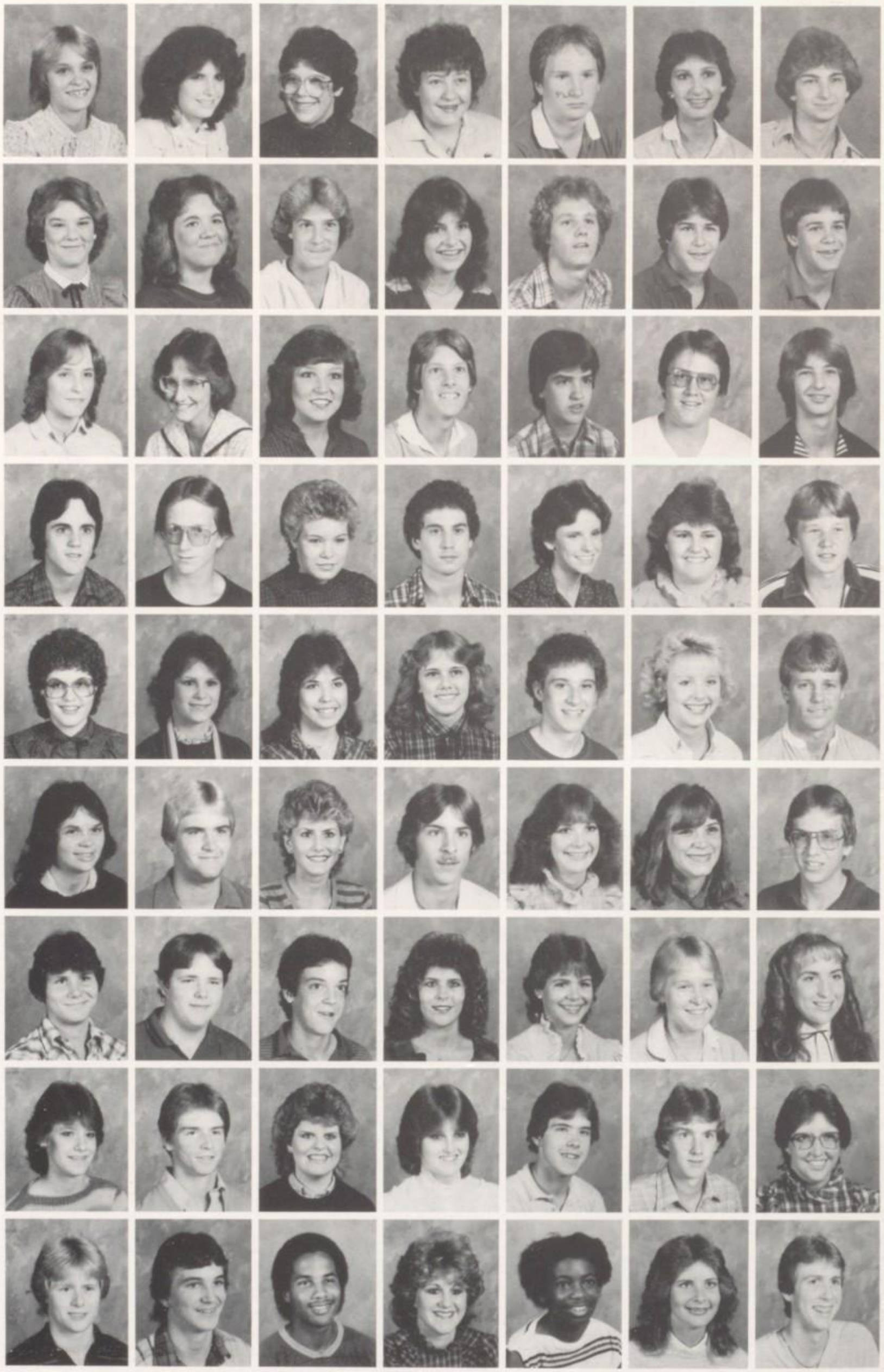
Morrow, Kelly
Murchison, Becky
Murphy, Trina
Meyers, Angela
Newling, Jeff
Oberndorfer, Mitzi
O'Neal, Darin

O'Neal, Sandy
O'Neal, Tim
Orem, Diana
Parvin, Darin
Pecen, Becky
Perry, Cathy
Perry, Chris

Pridemore, John
Puckett, Jeff
Querry, Steve
Ratcliff, Robin
Rawles, Misti
Ray, Susan
Reagen, Connie

Reed, Debbie
Reser, Jim
Riesen, Karen
Rife, Sue
Rodgers, Darin
Roller, Wayne
Rutherford, Michelle

Salsbery, Troy
Sanders, Tyler
Scott, Jewel
Shay, Michelle
Shelton, Anna
Shuck, Mindy
Simmons, Scott



Racing practice pays off for Bugher

While the crowd watched the quarter-midget races, the announcer rang out the familiar jingle, "It's a race to the finish folks, and two cars are still battling it out for first place. The checkered flag is out. Here they come around the corner. They're neck and neck. Car number — is pulling ahead. And the winner is, car — driven by Greg Bugher."

JUNIOR GREG BUGHER sits amidst an impressive number of trophies earned from racing.

Junior Greg Bugher found an interest in quarter-midget racing by watching friends compete. He found it to be a hobby different from most sports. "The combination of speed and excitement makes the sport different from a team sport like football or baseball," commented Bugher.

In order to race that level, practice was an essential element. "Practice times were difficult and it could have been easy to "Sluff-off," but I knew that practice is what it took to be a winner. With my dad's encouragement, I found this time to be endurable," said Bugher.

The practice paid off in many ways. Bugher has won 50 trophies, 250 ribbons and four season championships. He also has many fast time awards for qualifications and has broken race track records.

Although the thrill and excitement is grand, midget racing can be expensive and dangerous. Bugher commented, "We had sponsors that painted the car. In return, they used us as advertisement."

Precautionary measures were taken to insure safety. The driver was required to wear a bell helmet with visor, a leather jacket, gloves and a racing suit. The cars were also equipped with roll cages, nerf bars, and a front and back bumper.

Bugher has planned on continuing midget racing and hopes to be able to move up to sprint car racing. "I am someday going to make racing my career rather than my hobby. Daytona or Indy racing are the biggest accomplishments in racing and this is the goal for which I am striving," concluded Bugher.

Karen Shelton

Skaggs, Barbara
Slaubaugh, John
Smith, Kelly
Spaulding, Susan
Stanley, David
Steur, Kathy
Stone, Tammy

Stridde, Cathy
Stroud, Alan
Sutherland, René
Swick, Jim
Tingle, Chris
Tinsley, Doug
Tuchscherer, Jeff

Tucker, Greg
Turner, Katrina
Walden, Susan
Waters, Delilah
Watkins, Sherri
Watson, Samantha
Webster, Brenda

Weideman, Mike
Weir, Lori
Wolfe, Jim
Wolfgram, Chris
Young, Tom

Newlin vies for Senate scholarship

Every year students who excel in leadership abilities apply for many different kinds of scholarships. Junior Jeff Newlin was nominated by a faculty committee to participate in the Youth Senate Program, sponsored by the Randolph Hearst Foundation. Newlin was nominated because the committee said he was the best person to represent the school.

Once nominated, Newlin had to write a paper stating why he wanted to participate in the Youth Senate Program. Mr. Gene Pearson, guidance-counselor, said, "The committee felt that he had outstanding abilities not only academically but in extra-curricular activities as well."

Newlin competed as far as the state level, but despite his scholastic abilities, he was not selected to be one of the two state representatives.

"You always feel honored about getting a big award," said Newlin. He added, "I was proud that the school selected me as its representative for the Youth Senate Program."

Robin Helton/Jeff Lake

STUDYING DILIGENTLY, Junior Jeff Newlin prepares the essay that got him nominated for the Youth Senate scholarship based on his academics and leadership abilities.

STRIKING A SULTRY POSE are the junior powderpuff cheerleaders. Their cheerleading efforts seemed to have worked. The juniors went on to defeat their opponents.

KEEPING HIS WRISTS UP AND HIS eyes on the copy while punching the keys with precision and authority, Junior Jeff Jones directs his undivided attention on a typing exercise in Mrs. Lewellyn's typing class.

WITH DETERMINATION ON HER FACE, Junior Deani Boodt performs in the halftime show.

Sophs acquire feeling of importance

New experiences of raising class funds and hosting a class dance brought a felling of importance to members of the sophomore class.

Class members worked concessions at basketball games to get a head start in raising money for the Prom. They also hosted an informal dance as an activity for the entire class. Music for the dance was provided by "The Imposters," a group composed of four Western students.

Class president Mary Kay Read stated, "I think we've grown up this year because we've taken on new responsibilities and learned to organize activities."

By taking on these responsibilities and new experiences, the sophomore class grew as a whole, which was a key factor in gaining the feeling of importance for which they had strived.

Karen Key

HEADING THE SOPHOMORE CLASS are Mary Kay Read, president; Kelly Bell, vice president; Angie Abendroth, secretary; Jill Renshaw, treasurer.

Abendroth, Angie
Agal, Tim
Amos, Kelly
Amsbury, Ken
Ancil, Jennifer
Ancil, Teresa
Anderson, Tracey

Anderson, Jon
Arnett, Mike
Arney, Joe
Ashburn, Ted
Ashcraft, Stacey
Bell, Kelly
Bennett, Brad

Bennett, Dan
Bennett, Roy
Bickel, Richard
Biggs, Terry
Bishir, Suzanne
Bishop, Dale
Black, Jerry

Sophomores

Bliss, Robin
Bogue, Leigh Anne
Bowers, Scott
Bradford, Michelle
Brantley, Ron
Brewer, Tim
Brittain, Todd

Brunt, Scott
Burket, John
Byrum, Lori
Call, Christi
Carson, Linda
Carter, Laurel
Chambers, Karen

Chestnut, Kay
Christian, Amy
Collier, Tammy
Conroy, Dave
Conyers, Dave
Cornett, Sara
Crail, Keith

Crain, John
Damon, Shawn
Dankert, Dave
Davis, Brent
Davis, Dawn
Davis, Michelle
Davis, Tracy

Day, Brian
Day, David
Dellinger, Leslie
DeWeese, Chevelle
Dieselberg, Kym
Engle, Mark
Evans, Christi

Farlow, Lori
Felton, Les
Fenimore, Tim
Firth, Jerry
Fisher, John
Fowler, Joe
Free, Larry

Freel, Chuck
Freeman, Scott
Fulk, Chris
Gatlin, Tammy
Gaylor, Kim
Gaylor, Troy
Glick, Jeff

Glunt, Mario
Godfrey, Rustin
Grant, Kelly
Grubb, Jennier
Hale, Chris
Harshman, Tom
Harvey, Mindy

Hays, Tammi
Heltzel, Jody
Hendershot, Jeff
Hicks, Bob
Hill, Jim
Holt, Cary
Hornback, Staci

Sophomores

Hornberger, Jim
Horton, Jon
Howard, David
Howell, Rachelle
Howlett, Shannon
Hudson, Dave
Huffman, Lisa

Humphrey, Steve
Hunt, Todd
Indrutz, Janice
Jackson, Debbie
Johns, Robin
Johnson, Larry
Johnson, Shanna

Jumper, Beth
Keegan, Taron
Kesterson, Jim
Keyes, Charise
King, Greg
Knepley, Pat
Kniebes, Lisa

Kwiatt, John
Land, Mike
Lawson, Dwayne
Lawson, Fayne
Lennon, K.C.
Lewis, Leslie
Linton, Sharyl

Lods, Steve
Long, Scott
Lytle, Valerie
Mack, Bill
Malone, Mike
Mantle, Paula
Marley, Brian

Martin, Jeff
McAfee, Gayle
McCain, Danny
McCain, Laurie
McCain, Robert
McCorkle, Tomi
McFarland, Steve

McGinnis, Joe
McMasters, Sheri
McMillin, Teresa
Mendenhall, Aron
Milburn, Brad
Miller, Susan
Mitchell, Lori

Mooney, Tim
Moore, Deanna
Morris, Keri
Myers, Brik
Newby, Bev
Norris, Jamie
Oakley, Steve

Off, Michelle
Otis, Julie
Pavey, Brian
Pavey, Scott
Pearson, Regina
Pierce, Chris
Point, Andy

Sophomores

Preston, Tony
Pridemore, Betty
Rawles, Phil
Rayls, Cathy
Read, Mary Kay
Renshaw, Jill
Reser, Lee Ann

Reynolds, Brian
Rice, Trent
Rivers, David
Roark, Lane
Roller, Dave
Rondeau, Aaron
Rush, Shannon

Schafer, Brian
Schmitt, Monica
Schuler, Terry
Schweitzer, Debbie
Scott, Kelly
Sewell, Dawn
Sheets, John

Shuey, Marie
Simmons, Pat
Smith, Brian
Smith, Mitzi
Stephens, Kelly
Stover, Jim
Strebin, Sean

Davis competes in modeling contest

An all expense paid trip to New York as a cover girl model is the dream of many American high school girls. For Michelle Davis, though, it was a reality. She was one of 10 finalists in the Noxell's Cover Girl Contest that appeared in CO-ED MAGAZINE.

Davis saw the 1981 cover girls in CO-ED and the slogan "Next year's cover girl could be you." This information prompted her to enter the contest. In order to qualify, she sent full-length and close-up photographs taken within six months of the contest; gave her height, weight, and body measurements; and wrote an essay about herself.

As a finalist, Davis enjoyed receiving publicity, meeting the magazine staff and touring Noxell's company. She added that other high points of the experience were "flying to and touring the 'Big Apple' and getting the attention the 10 of us got. We couldn't do anything for ourselves; it was neat."

While in New York, the finalists had wardrobe fittings, photography sessions, and hairstyle and make-up sessions. They toured the city, shopped at Bloomingdale's and ate in fancy restaurants such as Alfredo's and the Citicorp Center. Contestants also viewed the Golden Jubilee Show at Radio City Music Hall. A press party and a party with CO-ED editors and New York models were included.

Davis commented, "Being in the contest was a great experience. It gave me self confidence. I didn't even dream I'd be chosen. I couldn't believe it was real when I got the telegram."

Karen Key

SOPHOMORE MICHELLE DAVIS shows her photogenic style that won her one of ten finalist spots in the Noxell Cover Girl Contest held in New York City.

Sophomores

Street, Kyle
TeRonde, Sharon
Thieke, Debbie
Thomas, Ty
Tillman, Michelle
Tomkiewicz, Sharon
Toney, Patty

Troyer, Dave
Tuchscherer, Mary
Ulshafer, Kathy
VanCleve, Cheryl
Vent, Joe
Warren, Terri
Webster, Shelly

Wellington, Lisa
Wells, Kim
Wesner, Janet
Wesson, Mark
Wethington, Paula
Wheeler, Cheryl
White, Brandie

Wicks, Jeff
Williamson, Bart
Williams, Troy
Willsey, Bridget
Wise, Susan
Wolverton, Liz
Wood, Mike

Wyant, Bill
Yoder, Valerie
O'Neal, Deana

THE COTTON SOPHS, sophomore powderpuff team are all smiling in anticipation of a glorious victory over the Froshettes in the Powderpuff game during Homecoming week.

Frosh develop feeling of acceptance

For the first time, members of the Class of '86 could be termed as "true high school students." The pressures of being in high school were small in some areas but great in others.

One such high pressure area was developing a sense of belonging. Many freshmen conquered this battle by getting long-awaited class jackets which gave them the acceptance they desired.

"When we were eighth graders, we felt like we were not even a part of the high school. Now we're accepted a little more. I think it's a step for the better," commented Freshman Erin Pasquale.

Still another shaky area for freshman was that of gaining independence. Being able to choose courses which interested them was something new and exciting. This option gave them the opportunity to choose classes which would benefit them most in the future. Being able to participate in more clubs and sports was another advantage. "We feel more apart of the high school since we're included in more activities," said Barbi Bolinger, president.

In addition to having a sense of belonging and gaining independence, developing maturity played a role in becoming a high school student. Mrs. Richter, class sponser, said, "I have very positive feelings towards this group and I am greatly impressed by their behavior and ability to act like courteous ladies and gentlemen."

By overcoming the many areas of pressure for a first-year high school student, each freshman found his year to be one of challenge and personal and intellectual growth.

Karen Shelton

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS are Barby Bolinger, president; Steph Wolverton, vice president; Debbie Day, secretary; Christi Hulet, treasurer.

Aaron, Apirl
Aaron, Missy
Abston, Kim
Allard, Tami
Ancil, David
Anderson, Shannon
Anthony, Jim

Armstrong, Chad
Ashenfelter, Dave
Ball, Jamie
Bearden, Ricky
Bennett, Todd
Bevington, Mark
Billings, Todd

Bilodeau, Mark
Bitner, Kirk
Blackburn, Herb
Blunt, Chris
Bolinger, Barby
Boodt, Misty
Boruff, Angie

Freshman

Boruff, Robert
Boswell, Cyndi
Bowman, John
Boyd, David
Bryant, Jessie
Buchanan, Deborah
Campbell, David

Carter, Chris
Casida, Deeny
Cass, Don
Cavin, Cari
Chen, Liza
Clark, Kevin
Cline, Bruce

Collins, Dax
Collins, Robert
Conn, Joyce
Cook, Valerie
Coombs, Eric
Coonce, Jodi
Cottingham, Connie

Cox, DuWayne
Cupp, Debbie
Davenport, Angie
Day, Debbie
Degraffenreid, Amy
Dickson, Angie
Donahue, John

Dunlap, David
Elliot, Jim
Endres, Joel
Evans, Lew Ann
Everman, Stacy
Fike, Loraine
Finch, Melinda

Fouch, Scott
Free, Tracy
Fulford, Michael
Gaines, Dwight
Gaskins, Greg
George, Mark
Geyer, John

Gifford, Tammy
Gilbert, Kim
Gillem, Vicky
Goodnight, Shane
Gregg, Kathy
Grider, Brian
Hanson, Kenny

Hanson, Paul
Hardy, Kelli
Harrison, Dawn
Harrison, Mike
Hensler, Sherri
Hicks, Bobbi
Hill, Elizabeth

Hines, Opal
Hite, John
Hobson, Matt
Hoepner, Amanda
Hoepner, Andrea
Horner, Todd
Hulet, Christi

Souffrant swims in Florida Nationals

SWIMMING STANDOUT SALLY SOUFFRANT, freshman, glides free and easy to a victory and yet another shattered record in the 500 free-style race at the girls swimming Sectional.

Dreaming is something many people do with the hope of someday having their wishes fulfilled. Freshman Sally Souffrant was one of the lucky few who had her dream become a reality. Souffrant had the opportunity to swim in the Nationals in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. "When I found out I could go, I was really excited because I could test my ability against other swimmers from different states," commented Souffrant.

Souffrant's swimming ability enabled her to place thirteenth in both the 100 and 200-yard free-style. "I wanted to place better in the competition. Since it was my first time, though, I was really happy with how I did," said Souffrant.

Swimming Coach Glick said, "Sally could become one of the best swimmers I've ever coached and is very capable of qualifying for the Nationals again."

Qualifying for the Nationals was a tremendous honor for Souffrant. It was one of the largest attended swim meets in the world with some of the fastest swimmers in competition.

Along with the honor, she received more publicity than she had ever experienced before. "It's nice when people you don't know stop and talk to you because they recognize who you are," stated Souffrant.

The experience of swimming in the Nationals helped her to realize the emphasis placed on the sport. "It gave me the experience which I needed and helped my realize that swimming is just as important as any other sport. I want to continue improving in my ability and maybe someday be in the Olympics," concluded Souffrant.

Robin Helton/Karen Shelton

Hulsey, Craig
Huntly, Dusty
Jarrett, Rachel
Jennings, Tracey
Johnson, Dickie
Johnson, Michael
Kastura, Judy

Kendall, Jane
Kidwell, Joel
Kim, Bob
King, David
Kirkendall, Mike
Knosp, John
Krajewski, Kristina

Kuhns, Jamie
LaLonde, Doug
Larimore, Tim
Larke, Lisa
Lewis, David
Ligon, Michael
Linville, Michael

Lovegrove, Bret
Louks, Laurie
Lowman, Michael
Lytle, Jimmy
Marley, Brad
Marshall, Angela
Maxey, Steven

Freshman develops interest in BMX

It's the third heat. Your legs are tired and sore, and you're on the last turn. The look of sheer determination is on your face. You realize that you are in second place and that the race is almost over, but you know somehow you'll win.

Suddenly, the guy in front of you wipes out. As he goes down, you feel mud flipping all over you. It is on your arms, legs and helmet, and it's even in your mouth! But you don't mind because this is just the chance for which you've been waiting. You put all the strength you've got left into your legs and pull away. A definite win is almost certain. Now the race is over, and you are the winner!

This account illustrates what Freshman Jeff Patch went through at his Bicycle Moto-cross (BMX) races. Patch first got interested in BMX racing about three years ago when he began jumping ramps with his bike simply because he didn't have anything else to do. Since then he has been a devoted participant.

He got serious in BMX racing one summer when he participated in at least one race a week. During the following winter, he was in about one every three weeks. He raced mainly here in Indiana at organized tracks in Logansport, Peru, Fort Wayne, Anderson and Indianapolis.

Although Patch didn't plan to make racing a career, he did feel that BMX has a big future. He said moto-cross "is a great sport to be into."

Jeff Lake

FRESHMAN JEFF PATCH, who has raced Moto-cross bicycles throughout the state of Indiana, demonstrates the skill and concentration it takes to ride on one wheel.

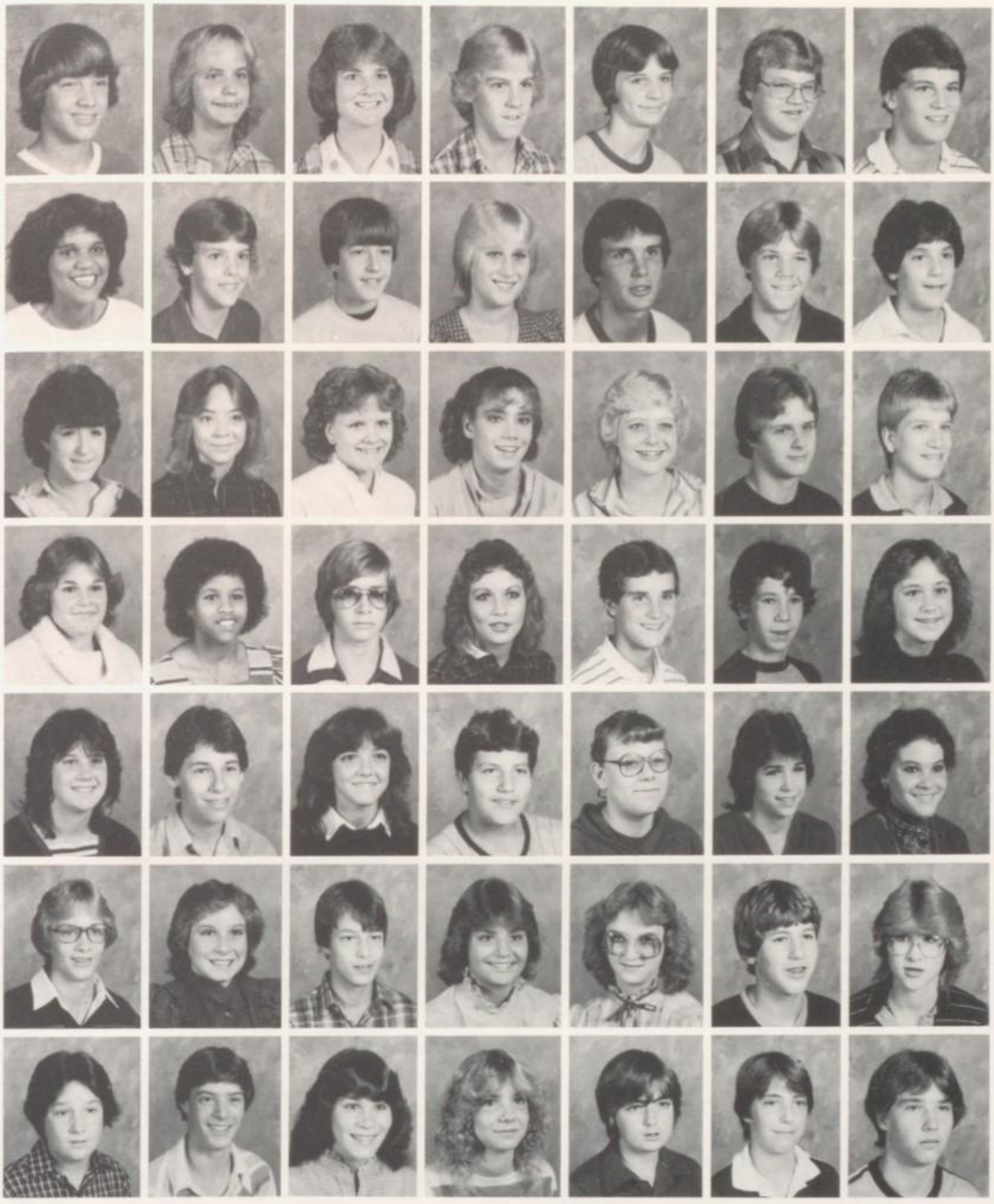
May, Shane
McAninch, Angela
McCord, Robert
McKinistry, Michael
McMasters, Mike
Medlen, Jeff
Miller, Heather

Mills, Scott
Mooney, Tina
Morgan, LeAlan
Muhl, Felicia
Munsell, Wes
Myers, Cheri
Myers, Chris

Myers, Jodi
Newlin, Tony
Oakley, Jeff
Ortman, Roger
Orr, Melissa
Padfield, Missy
Pasquale, Erin

Patch, Jeff
Perkins, Robin
Perry, Michelle
Quillen, Tammy
Reed, Jennifer
Reed, Wade
Reel, Amy Jo

Freshmen



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Ringeisen, Michelle
Roark, Kevin
Roark, Randy
Runyon, Ronnie
Sanders, Rich

Scott, Edie
Scott, Charlie
Sears, Steve
Sheets, Sherrie
Shepherd, Ray
Shutt, Kenneth
Simpson, Randy

Smith, Diana
Smith, Gina
Smith, Kathryn
Souffrant, Sally
Sterling, Tracy
Stillman, Dave
Stine, Benji

Stipes, Jan
Stittes, Briggett
Stone, Kelly
Swain, Dawn
Svoma, Gregg
Switzer, Brian
Tackett, Christy

Taylor, Becky
Thomas, Gary
Toney, Maria
Toney, Todd
Tucker, Sandra
Turner, Marlene
Unger, Buffey

VanLue, Kirt
VanWinkle, Michelle
Vary, Mike
Walton, Missy
Warm, Stephanie
Weiderman, Jeff
Whitworth, Kristi

Wilson, Michael
Winger, Corwin
Wolverton, Steph
Worthman, Chris
Young, Travis
Zimmerman, Ed
Zimmerman, Scott

BEFORE THE POWDERPUFF GAME, the freshman "Froshettes" show their spirit. Their inexperience proved to be a factor as they were defeated by a quick sophomore team.

Class sponsors 'Panther Paw' project

"Pawing! Pawing! Come and get pawed!" were the cries and shouts of the eighth grade class officers. The Panther paws project was held in school before the first basketball game and before the basketball sectionals. For the project, officers painted paws on students' faces to get school spirit flowing before the games.

The money raised by the Panther paws project was used to buy the winner of the design a jacket contest a class jacket. This contest, which took place in the spring, was used to raise class spirit. Jackets were judged by class members.

Mrs. Judy Suffield, class sponsor, commented, "They are super-terrific, great kids. They also have been very responsible. I've liked working with them."

Suzette Moyer

LEADING MEMBERS OF THE EIGHTH GRADE CLASS are the elected officers President Byron Carson, Vice-President Wanda Bowen, Secretary Tina George and Treasurer Staci Stephenson.

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Aburn, Ricky
Anderson, Bruce
Anderson, Missy
Armstrong, Shannon
Baker, Suanna
Ballard, Lisa

Bevington, Brad
Boe, Jennifer
Boe, Karla
Bohlmann, Jonathan
Bolinger, Michael
Bougher, Shelly
Bowen, Wanda

Boyd, Thomas
Bradley, Bryce
Brantley, Troy
Braswell, Becky
Brier, Dale
Brown, Kevin
Brown, Terry

Bugher, Brad
Burket, Mark
Carson, Byron
Carter, Cory
Chmiel, Maribeth
Clevenger, Suzanne
Clinger, Brenda

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Collins, Ed
Crim, Wendy
Crime, Mike
Cupp, Cathy
Dagnen, Lana
Davis, Dena

Davis, Jeff
Davis, Lorane
Davis, Sandy
Degenkolb, Steve
Dieselberg, Doug
Dismore, Kim
Donley, Mike

Dowden, Michelle
Droll, Jim
Drury, Angela
Eikenberry, Cindy
Ellis, Bryan
Eltzeroth, Brian
Eltzeroth, Shelli

Erdmann, Brian
Etherington, Brett
Etherington, Michelle
Everhart, Angelia
Ferraro, Jared
Fillenwarth, Kent
Fisher, Lisa

Fortune, James
Fowler, Jody
Free, Tonya
Freidline, Eric
Fulk, Lori
Galford, Shannon
George, Tena

Golightly, Mary
Gorski, Pat
Graves, David
Graves, Lance
Guy, Andy
Hanke, Shaun
Hanson, Heather

Harbaugh, David
Harbaugh, Greg
Harth, Missy
Hawk, Curtis
Helvig, Eddy
Hendricks, John
Herin, Mary Jo

Hillman, Ann
Hobson, Brad
Hochstedler, Donald
Hodson, Tom
Holaday, Barry
Holder, Tim
Howlett, James

Hunter, Angela
Hurd, Jimmy
Hyde, Brandon
Hyde, Jay
Isaac, Ken
Jackson, Jeff
Jackson, Kim

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Jay, Lynda
Johnson, Kelly
Johnson, Madonna
Johnson, Mike
Johnson, Todd
Jones, Victoria

Keller, Ellen
Keown, Beth
King, Melissa
Koenig, Nancy
Lahee, Debby
Land, Kenneth
Lawson, Rick

LeJeune, Robert
Lewellyn, Eric
Lewis, Samuel
Lindsay, Richard
Lyons, Brent
Lyons, Micheal
Little, Janet

Lutze, Tamara
Magnett, Jenifer
Marner, Trenton
Marshall, Norman
Martin, Cary
Martin, Melissa
Martin, Micheal

Maugans, Stacy
May, Jeff
McCorkle, Lori
McKoon, Tina
McCoy, Anthony
McGinnis, Chris
McJunkins, Carl

Miller, Suzanne
Mitchell, Steven
Moore, Randall
Moyer, Jamie
Myers, Brent
Myers, Mark
Nelson, Tina

Norris, David
O'Connell, Jacqueline
O'Hair, Scott
O'Neal, Chauntell
Passauer, Herbert
Perry, Elizabeth
Phifer, Christina

Phillips, Mark
Pierce, Jeffery
Pratt, Troy
Pridemore, Vicky
Ratcliff, Jeffery
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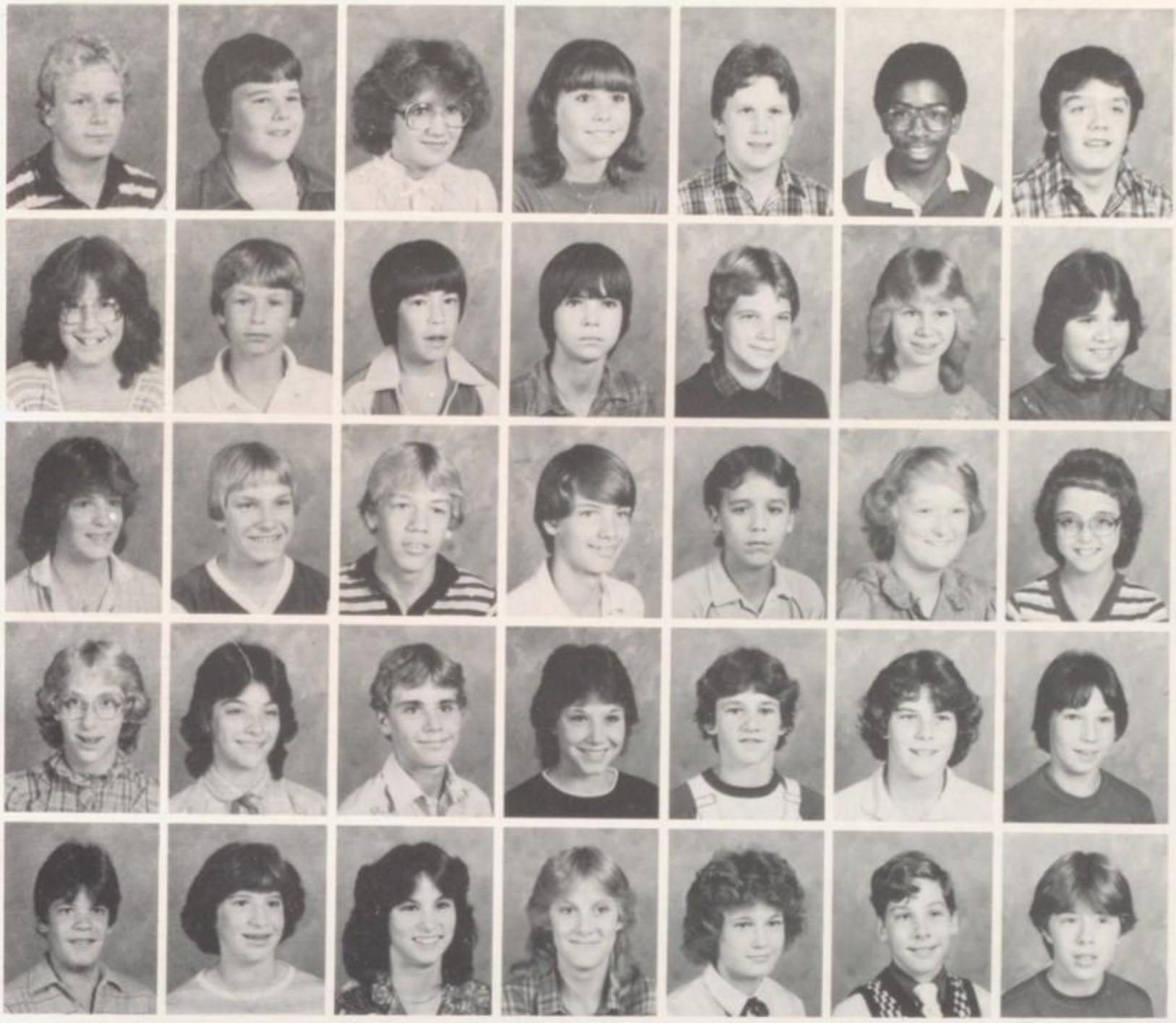
Sadler, Tommy

Eighth Graders



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Schumacher, Robert
Scott, Samantha
Selby, Karen
Sewell, Brian
Shelton, Paul
Sherrod, Mike

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Short, Scott
Shuey, Mark
Shutt, Lorinda
Simms, Lisa
Sipes, Barbara

Sitzes, Michelle
Skaggs, Dalas
Smith, Darryl
Smith, David
Smith, Jason
Smith, Julie
Smith, Michelle

Spangler, Beverly
Spoon, Beth
Stonley, Donald
Stephenson, Staci
Stovt, Daniel
Strebin, Beth
Switzer, Kevin

Tackett, Joe
Talbert, Barbara
Taylor, Kathy
Thomas, Gail
Thomas, Michelle
Thomas, Royce
Tomes, Scott

Maugans runs for fun and competition

PRIOR TO AN AFTERNOON RUN, Stacy Maugans, eighth-grader, stretches he leg muscles.

With all the importance placed on running and physical fitness, it is no wonder that this fad captivated many students. For Eighth-grader Stacy Maugans, it was a daily routine.

Maugans discovered how much she loved running when she ran in a school-sponsored Fun Run during her fourth grade year.

"I enjoy running because I forget my problems and feel power in my legs. It is fun to watch myself improve over the weeks," commented Maugans.

Maugans had a different experience than most girl runners because she competed with the boys while running on the boys' cross country team. The reason was simply that there was no girls' team. "I'm not treated any differently; all the boys cheer me on at the meets," said Maugans.

During the season, she ran an average of two to three miles a day, resting two days a week. On one occasion, she ran five and a half miles during a practice.

Maugans also raced in the Wendy's Fun-Run and planned to run in more races.

"I would like to keep on running through high school and on into college," concluded Maugans.

Sandy Henderson

Cheerleaders' efforts motivate teams

"And the eighth grade cheerleaders are . . . Shannon Armstrong, Tena George, Victoria Jones, Suzanne Miller and Tricia Weeks. I'd like to thank all who tried out; you were all great," shouted the announcer.

The cheerleader's practices began mentally as soon as they found out who was selected. Each cheerleader and Mrs. Bev Ashcraft, the sponsor, began to think of new and interesting projects to do to raise the team's spirit. Among these projects was a party consisting of snacks and punch served to the team as a "spirit raising for victory." The girls decorated lockers before each game and cheered the team on to an undefeated season. Besides decorating, "spirit raising" parties, and cheering at the games, the cheerleaders worked hard to develop a uniform style of cheering by practicing twice a week during the school year and once a week during the summer.

Mrs. Ashcraft commented, "Overall, they did a super job! It helped the cheerleaders by having a ball club with a winning and undefeated season. This was a real learning experience for them. I hope it gave them a taste of what high school cheerleaders do."

For the first time, the cheerleaders and sponsor conducted a cheerleading clinic, serve lunch and conduct the contest. The girls were extremely excited about the clinic. Suzanne Miller added, "The clinic was fun. I really like cheering. We had our troubles, but in the end it was all worth the hard work.

Suzette Moyer

WORKING TO KEEP THE FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL PLAYERS' SPIRITS UP are the eighth grade cheerleaders — Tena George, Tricia Weeks, Suzanne Miller, Shannon Armstrong and Victoria Jones. Their efforts prove rewarding since the basketball team slated a winning season.

Tomkiewicz, Christy
Troyer, Kathy
Trueblood, Joni
Tuberty, Lisa
Tyler, Gwen
Ulshafer, Tracy
Unger, Andy

Eighth Graders

Vance, Lou Ann
Vary, Laura
Vent, Paul
Walsh, Michael
Warnock, Chris
Waters, Darrell
Watkins, James

Weeks, Tricia
Wells, Richard
Whiteside, Michelle
White, Doug
Whitfield, Holly
Wilkison, Melissa
Williams, Dede

Wines, Brent
Witman, Bret
Wolfgram, Craig
Wood, Malissa
Wood, Mike
Wood, Noel
Wunderlich, Chance

Wyant, Michele

Wyrick, Tamara

WORKING ON THE EIGHTH GRADERS' MONEY-MAKING PROJECT, Vice-President Wanda Bowen, eighth grader, paints a "Panther Paw" on Freshman Cheerleader Buffy Unger's face.

Eighth Graders

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM includes Front Row: Dave Harbaugh, Stacy Maugans, Dave Graves; Back Row: Coach Ty Calloway, Curtis Hawk, Lance Graves, Mike Walsh.

MARK MYERS DRIVES for the basket despite an outstretched arm. (Tribune Photo)

MEMBERS OF THE WRESTLING TEAM are Front Row: Shawn Gaylor, Bernie McFarland, Matthew Scott, Brad Hobson, Brian Sewell, Terry Brown, Jim Droll, Mark Phillips, John Hendricks, Todd Baker, Steve Harshman; Row 2: Matt Love, Kevin Helms, Kenny Elmore, Vernon Graves, Chris Graves, Jimmy Eikenberry, Jason Oakley, Greg Harbaugh, Bobby Bitner, Rob Gifford, Jeff Wells, Jimmy Campbell, Cary Warnock; Row 3: Sammy Breedon, Brian Ellis, David Randall, Kevin Brown, Sam Lewis, Aaron Chafflin, Danny Stout, Jay Market.

Eighth Graders

Team stays undefeated for 3 years

FOOTBALL TEAM consists of Front Row: Mike Donley, Kevin Brown, Barry Holaday, Eric Freidline, Danny Stout, Tommy Sadler, Robert LeJeune, Scott O'Hair; Row 2: Jim Droll, Brian Sewell, Kent Fillenwarth, Mark Myers, Jimmy Hurd, Bryan Ellis, Don Hochstedler, Brandon Hyde, Rob Schumacher; Row 3: Craig Wolfgram, Todd Johnson, Brad Bugher, Brad Hobson, Randy Moore, Tim Holder, Jim Watkins, Doug Dieselberg, Carl McJunkins; Row 4: Mark Phillips, Todd Lewellyn, Terry Brown, Mike Bolinger, Mike Lyons, Mike Crume, Brett Etherington, Chance Wunderlich, Jeff May, Brent Wines, Steve Degenkolb, Coach Bill Dickison.

MEMBERS OF THE TRACK TEAM are Front Row: Curtis Hawk, Steve Mitchell, Scot Wells, Dave Harbaugh, Troy Brantley, Kent Fillenwarth, Shaun Rayl, Paul Vent, Kevin Switzer, Greg Harbaugh, Robert LeJeune; Back Row: Coach Bob Burkhalter, Brett Etherington, Mike Crume, Steve Degenkolb, Terry Brown, Brent Wines, Jeff May, Mike Walsh, Lance Graves, Kevin Brown, Coach Dennis Schulte.

Eighth grade students are many times forgotten, but male members of the class of '87 displayed their outstanding talents in sports.

The boys' basketball team, coached by Mr. Steve Hoppes, proved its excellence by remaining undefeated throughout the entire season. In fact. This same team had not lost a game since the player's fifth grade year. Team member Byron Carson said, "It was an exciting season. Our 'gamewinner' was our team effort. Everyone's talent was put to use as we all put 100 percent into every practice."

On the boys' cross country team, there was one quite unique ingredient — Stacy Maugans. Since there was little interest in a girls' cross country team, Maugans ran with the boys. With the commitment of all the members, the team finished its season with a 4-3 record.

The remaining two teams polled excellent slates with football standing at 5-2 and wrestling at 10-3.

By having such outstanding seasons, eighth graders need not be forgotten. Their outstanding athletic abilities shone brightly throughout the year.

Jeff Lake

BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS are Front Row: Eric Freidline, Scott Wells, Mark Myers, Paul Vent, Jim Hurd, Troy Pratt, Chris Warnock, Kenny Sholty; Back Row: Coach Steve Hoppes, Craig Wolfgram, Mike Donley, Doug Dieselberg, Steve Degenkolb, Mike Crume, Jeff Pierce, Brett Etherington, Byron Carson, Pat Gorski, Troy Brantley.

Eighth Graders

Girls learn more than record shows

"Trying harder" was the main theme of the eighth grade girls' sports teams, including volleyball, basketball, track and swimming. Each team was cited by its respective coach as having potential and trying its hardest to the very end.

The volleyball team, coached by Miss Nancy Geiger, demonstrated these circumstances with a 1-8 record. Player Jamie Moyer commented, "We could have done better. But with the circumstances we had to work with, we did the best we could." Captains for the team were Staci Stephenson and Michelle Thomas.

Finishing the season with a 4-7 record, the basketball team, coached by Mr. Norman Lewellyn, accomplished more in the improvement and hard work departments than its record indicated. "We weren't too successful, but when we worked we learned a lot and had fun doing it," said Suzanne Miller.

Hard work and determination pushed the swim team on to an undefeated season and a victory at the Lewis Cass invitational. Coach Ed Glick praised the team for its enormous potential and for its major accomplishment at such an early age. Team member Michele Wyant commented, "I have enjoyed being on the team. It was a lot of hard work and fun."

Doubling their membership, the runners on the track team found the friendships they made to be an important aspect of the season. Coach Geiger said, "Being able to practice running on the track helped the girls learn the right way to run and to lower their times."

Despite the imperfect records, each team reached for victory and worked together as a unit.

Suzette Moyer/Kim Rivers

EAGERLY ANTICIPATING THE OPPOSING TEAM'S SERVE, eighth graders Michelle Thomas and Jamie Moyer prepare a powerful return of the volleyball by running into position.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM includes Front Row: Debby Lahee, Merine Abresch, Lori Fulk, Angie Everhart; Back Row: Vicky Pridemore, Jamie Moyer, Tina Nelson, Staci Stepheson, Michelle Thomas, Coach Nancy Geiger.

GIRLS' SWIM TEAM consists of Beverly Spangler, Michele Wyant, Jennifer Boe, Tammy Lutze, Coach Ed Glick.

MEMBERS OF THE GIRLS' TRACK TEAM are Front Row: Janet Little, Tammy Lutze, Angie Drury, Tricia Weeks; Row 2: Ann Hillman, Lisa Tuberty, Missy King, ,Michelle Thomas, Stacy Maugans; Row 3: Coach Kay Roesener, Suzanne Miller, Elizabeth Perry, Amy Roesener, Tina Nelson, Chauntell O'Neal, Staci Stephenson, Michele Wyant, Coach Nancy Geiger.

Students find time to get involved

As busy as the year was, the eighth graders found time to participate in their share of school activities. FHA, Band, Pep Band, Drama Club and Choir were some of the organizations of which eighth graders could be a part.

Band students had fund raisers by selling pizza kits, tumblers and candy tins. The money raised went to the band parents organization for uniforms and equipment. The band played at the annual Fish Fry, the spring concert and the ISSMA contest.

"The eighth grade band was full of interesting personalities and talent. They also enjoyed lots of first place medals from Solo and Ensemble contest," commented Mr. Larry Neuhauser, eighth grade band director.

Students could also be a part of the pep band. Mr. Neuhauser stated, "The pep band had lots of spirit. We enjoyed adding to the enthusiasm of the fans at the games."

Choir students had an interesting year, also. They sang for the PTO in a Christmas concert and a spring concert. They also performed for the local nursing home and received a superior rating at contest.

For the more dramatic students, the drama club performed two plays. The Christmas play was a parody on "The Night Before Christmas," and the spring play was "Miss President Please." Sponsor Mrs. Kathy Wood stated, "The Junior High Drama Club has grown to 80 members overall this year, which is very exciting. But the hardest workers have been the eighth graders. They will be greatly missed."

Junior High FHA worked on stuffed animal kits, put on a Christmas breakfast for the teachers and sold Valentine cookies to the other students. Mrs. Pat Rodgers, sponsor, commented, "I was happy with their ability to work together."

Eighth graders were also invited to participate in the high school Panther Block and FHA club. With these two clubs and the junior high ones, eighth graders could find an area of interest in which to excel. These clubs provided students with a little release from their academic studies and helped them become actively involed in school life.

Sandy Henderson

DRAMA CLUB consists of Front Row: Jamie Moyer, Tammy Lutze, Angie Drury, Mike Johnson; Back Row: Stacy Maugans, Scott O'Hair, Andy Guy, Dale Beier.

Eighth Graders

CONCERT BAND MEMBERS are Front Row: Julie Rose, Barbi Sipes, Kathy Troyer, Beth Spoon, Angie Archer, Tom Hodson, Debby Lahee, Madonna Johnson, Lori Fulk, Tracey Ulshafer; Row 2: Barbi Talbert, Missy King, Cindy Eikenberry, Ellen Keller, Christy Tomkiewicz, Beverly Spangler, Missy Harth, Lynda Jay, Victoria Jones, Lance Graves, Stacy Maugans, Don Stanley, Scott O'Hair; Row 3: Dave Harbaugh, Jim Fortune, John Bohlmann, Brenda Clinger, Bryce Bradley, Jennifer Boe, Suzanne Miller, Missy Wyant, Angie Hunter, Samantha Scott.

MEMBERS OF THE EIGHTH GRADE CHOIR are Front Row: Lori McCorkle, Kim Jackson, Sandy Shipley, Shannon Galford, Maribeth Chmiel, Wendy Crim, Karla Boe; Row 2: Dale Briar, Mary Herin, Shelly Eltzeroth, DeeDee Williams, Laura Ingels, Missy Anderson, Lisa Fisher.

PEP BAND includes Front Row: Beth Munsell, Maria Everhart, Tom Hodson, Julie Rose, Debby Lahee, Stacy Maugans, Scott O'Hair; Row 2: Lisa Vaughn, Heather Alsop, Charles Rocky, Lance Graves, Laura Vary, Beverly Spangler, Missy King, Angie Hunter; Row 3: Yahalla Robbins, Michelle Hall, Susan Gerhart, Troy Tate, Andy Fritz; Row 4: Jeff Davis, Andy Guy, Jeff Croll, Brett Toney, Cale Hollingsworth; Row 5: Angie Hawn, Aaron Smith, Mike Bryer, Deanna Linson, John Bohlmann, Kenny Isaac, Bryce Bradley; Row 6: Joe Jeffries, Dave Harbaugh, Eric Mills.

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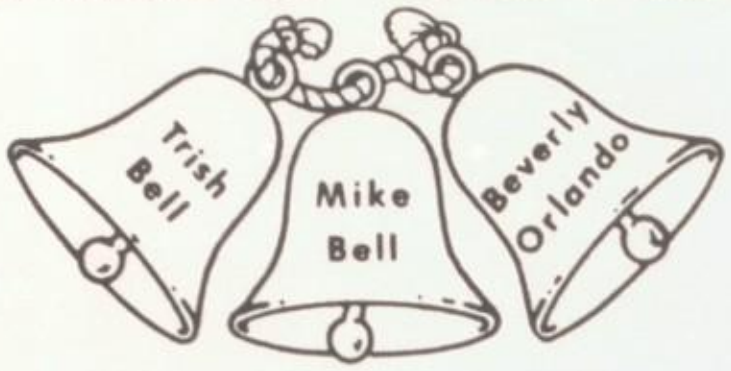

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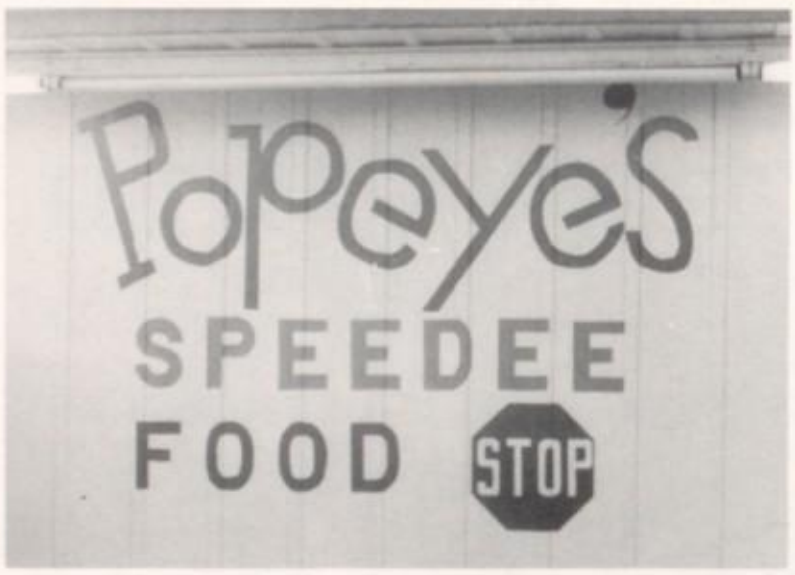

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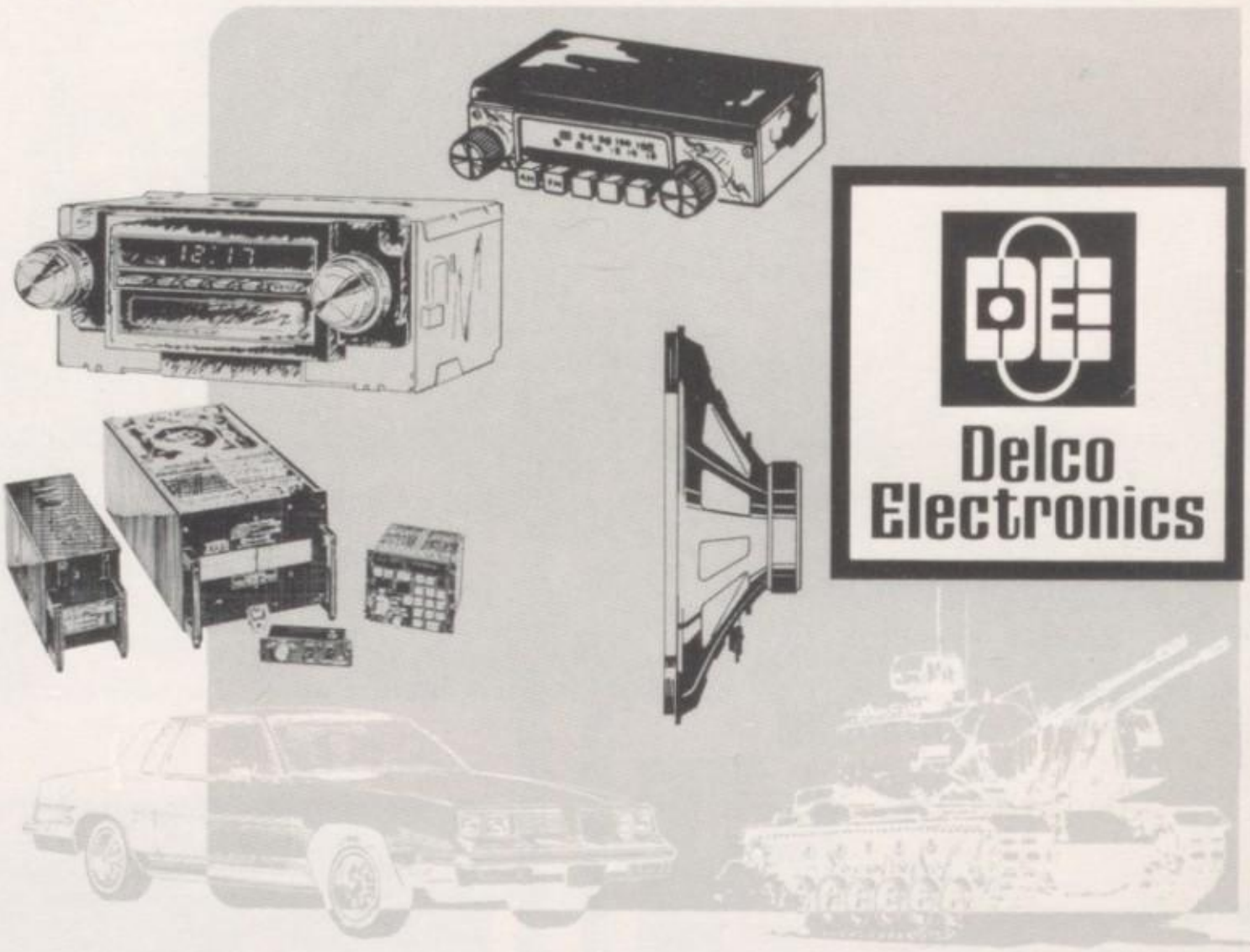

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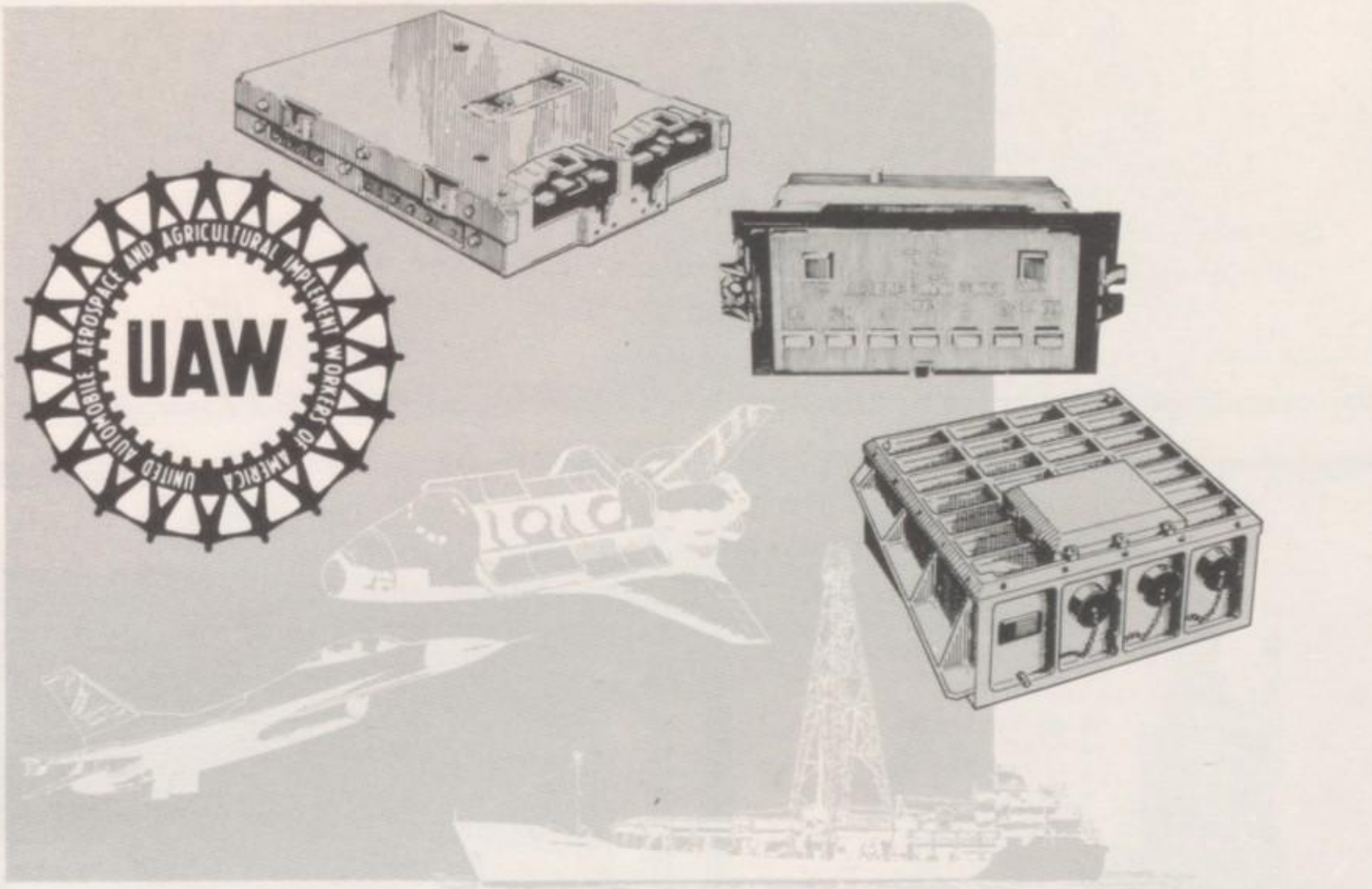

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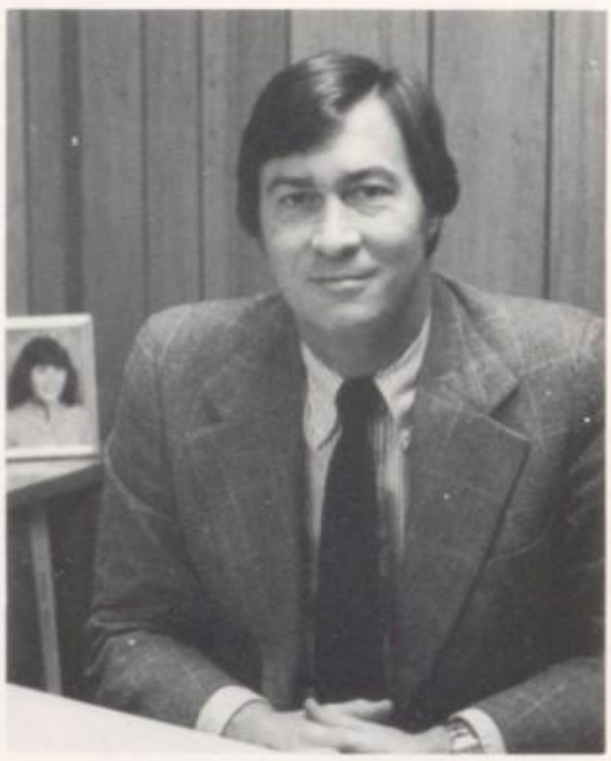

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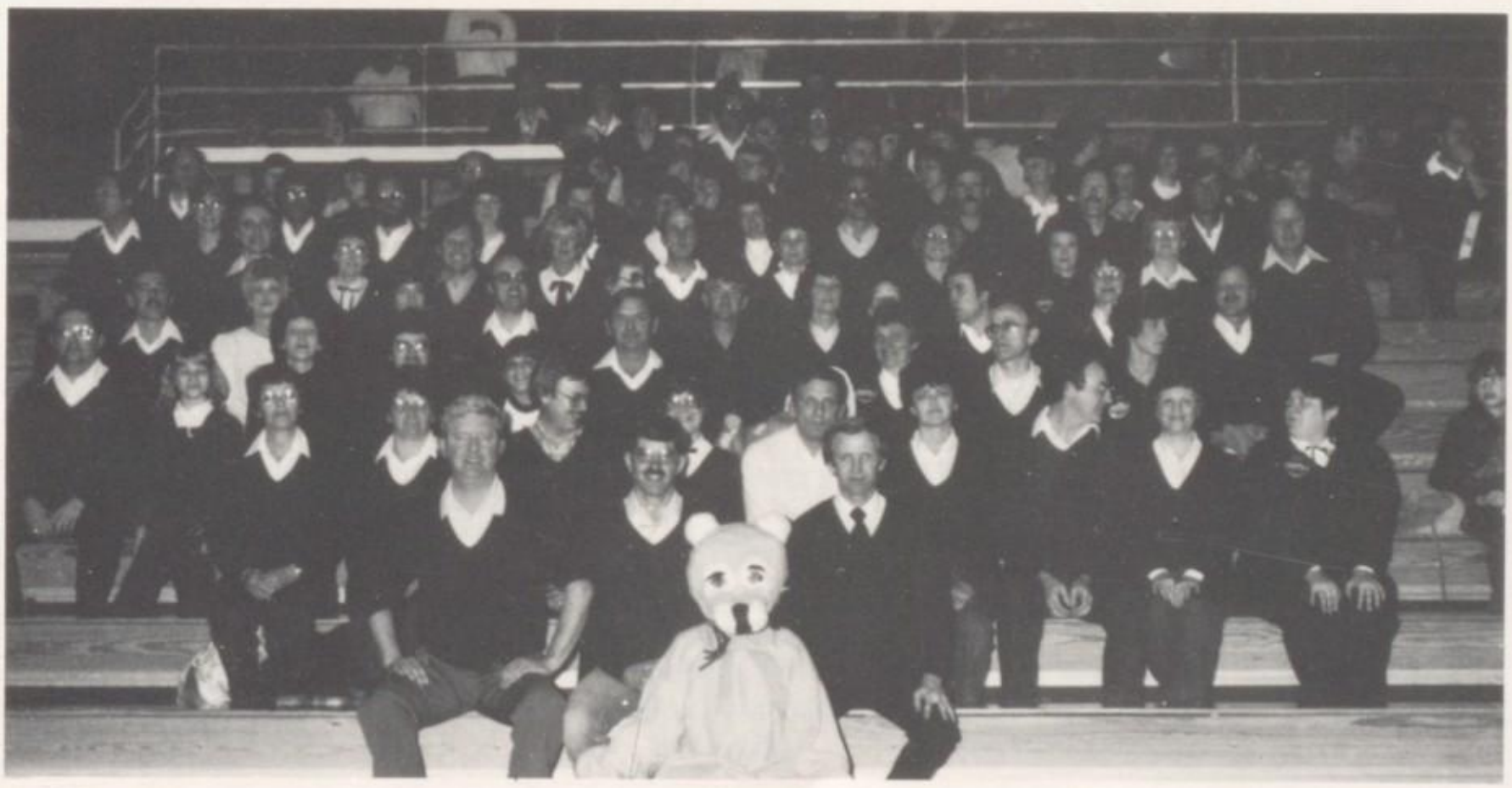

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Love, Mother, Dad, and Leslie

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We're very proud of you! Good luck at Indiana University. We wish you love and happiness.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Steven Simmons,
We are very proud of you. Keep up the good work. Good Luck in your future.
Love, Mom, Dad & Brothers

Dear Gin,
Congratulations on a great senior year. You made it despite a few road blocks! Rainbows ever.
Love You, Mom & Dad

Dear Bev,
We wish you all the best of luck and success and happiness in everything for the future.
Much Love, Mom, Dad & Byron

Sherri Colby,
Best wishes in your future endeavors. You're a very special young lady.
Love, Mom & Dad

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Congratulations! We are proud of you!
Love, Dad, Mom & Shelly

Dear Dacia Kay,
It's been fun watching you grow into a fine young lady. Stand tall and God's best for you.
Love, Mom, Dad, Cheryl, Shawna

To Our Wonderful Suzette,
You've done great in your life so far, keep it up. Good luck with Dave.
Love, The Family

Dear Brian,
We wish you the best life has to offer. You deserve it. You have made us very proud.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Kim,
I couldn't be more proud of you. May all your hopes and dreams for the future come true.
With Love, Mother

Dear Karen Schumacher,
Best of luck as you graduate. May you achieve all your goals as you go through life.
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Dear Brenda,
Good luck and always keep your friendly attitude in whatever your life goals may be!
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Dear Pam,
We hope your future is bright and everything you want it to be. Good luck!
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Annie,
We wish you happiness in all of your future plans.
Love, Mom and Dad

Tina,
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Dear Marcy,
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Love, Mom, Dad, Mindy & Cliff

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Love, Mom, Dad, and Mark

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Love, Mom, Dad, John, and Dena

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Good luck in the future. Our hope is for continued success in achieving your rigid goals.
Love, Mom, Dad, Rita, Ed & Bret

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All the luck in the world.
All our love, Mom and Dad

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Congratulations! Good luck and go blow your horn!
Love, Steve and Mary

Dear Robin,
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Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Marsha,
Our love and our prayers will always be with you. We are all very proud of you.
We love you, Your family

Dearest Kim,
Best of luck to you in the future years and forever.
Love, Mom, Dad & Brad

Congratulations Stacy!
May your future be full of the joy and love that you have shared with us.
Love always, Mom, Dad and Judy

Curt Cavin,
As you journey on thru life, may your clothes (underwear) bear the label — "I miss my Mom!"
Love you, Mom

Dear Lori Lewis,
Good luck in everything you do for the rest of your life and always be happy.
Love you always, Mom

Lisa Click,
Good luck next year in all you do and every year after that.
Love, Mom and Mike

Dear Tracey,
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Congratulations Dennis,
Best wishes for your future. "May the wind be always at your back."
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Ronnie,
You have made us very happy and proud to have a son like you! Good luck with the future.
Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations Chip,
Wishing you happiness and success in all you do (with God's love and guidance you will).
Love, Mom and Scott

Dear Melanie,
Lots of happiness and success in whatever you do.
Love, Mom and Dad

To our daughter Shelley King,
There isn't space available to tell you all the love and good wishes we have for you.
All our love, Mom and Dad

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Sherri,
To the most beautiful Homecoming queen ever. Good luck in life.
Love, George

J.K.
Thanks for a great year!
T.L.

Karen,
Good luck in Florida and everything else.
JSK

Curt Cavin,
Best of luck always.
Dale, Nancy, John & Tobi

Sherri,
Thanks for being a super friend and a great running partner. Good luck in college.
Love, Curt

Julie, Michelle, Sherri, Robin, Mel, & Shelley,
Our senior year was a blast! Let's keep in touch always. Remember those silly and crazy things we've done! Good luck in everything.
Love, Becky

Tamara,
Thanks for all the strange times. Remember all our tubular experiences we've had!
F/A, Missy

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I love you, Vonda

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Love, Valerie

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Good Luck!
KMS

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Thanks for everything!
The Trio

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We'll miss you next year. Good luck in the future!
Love, SG, SE, MA, JS, NK

Kim,
83's the year. I'm glad you let me be a part of your senior year. I won't ever forget it! Live to love life and share it.
Love you, Darrin

Becky, Robin, Michelle, Sherri, & Mel,
We did it! Thanks for all the great times. You are all great friends.
Good luck always, Julie

S'yecaps,
To the best friends anyone could have. I'll always remember y'all!
Love, Susan

S'yecaps,
Best of luck always. Have fun. I'll miss you!
Marsha

Lisa (EE),
Going to miss you! Take care!
Love you, Cheryl

To the lunch table,
Good luck in the future.
Melanie B.

Melanie,
I hope you never get S.O. the rest of your life.
Stacy

Best wishes to the class of '83.

Ginger,
Thanks for the crazy and fun times during our years at Western.
F/A, Missy

Chris,
We'll miss you next year. Good luck!
Love, Shannon & Shelli

Ty,
To a Good-Looking guy. Good luck always.
Love, Shannon & Shelli

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Thanks for being a super good friend! Never forget flip-flop yellow!
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F/A, Tammy

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We made it!
Love, Athos

Jenny,
Best of luck in the future.
Friends Always, Kim

Tim,
To a very special friend. Always keep your memories close at heart.
Wanda

I will always hold fond memories of the class of '83 (from 7th-12th).
Good luck, Mrs. Maxwell

Missy Guy,
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Ron

To my brothers,
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All my Love, Leigh Ann

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You're a great friend.
Vonda

S'YECAPS,
I'll never forget you all! Take care and God Bless!
Sherri

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Kirk,
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Your loving sis, Angie

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Friends forever, Michelle

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Love Always, Westernettes

S'yecaps,
Thanks for all the great times. Good luck in the future.
Lori

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Good luck in everything you do.
F/A, Ginger

KMS,
Thanks for the wild times!
DF

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I'm going to miss you! Be good in Illinois.
Love, Kim

Sam,
Well, is it still Paul or will you change your mind? I hope he isn't mad!
Love you, Ron

Darrin,
To a very special person. Best of luck your senior year.
Love you always, Kim

Lisa,
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Friends, Stacy

Brenda,
Good luck in everything you do.
Melanie B.

Becky, Robin, Julie, Michelle, and Melanie,
We finally made it. Thanks for all the great times. Good luck in everything you do in the future.
Friends Always, Sherri

Lisa,
Love you lots!
John

Terra McGaha,
Best of luck always!
F/F, Ginger

Sherri,
Remember the tracks, curbs, sp, suburbs and two people.
Melanie

SH & CH,
To lovely friends.
Love, a friend, RN

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Thanks for the best two and a half years of my life and all the great times.
Yours Always! I Love You!
Michelle

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Thanks for being there when I needed you. I hope we always remain together.
I love you, Donna

Melanie,
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Friends Always, Sherri

Bear,
No matter how many miles separate us, we're still going to be your "Admirers."
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This is a very special time for all of us. All our best and keep that faith.
All our love, Mom and Dad

Dear Randy,
Thank you for sharing your joy, love, sorrow, and hope. Use your gifts in the best possible way.
God Bless You! Love, Mom, Ron, JD

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Congratulations and good luck next year at Ball State.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Monica,
You did it! Continue in this manner and you'll always be on top.
Love, Mom, Dad, Angie & Kelly

Dear John,
We are proud of you, son, and we wish you all the happiness and success in life.
Love You, Mom and Dad

Dear Tim Smith,
Good luck to you in your mechanics and may happiness always be with you and Kelly.
Love, Mom, Dad & Sis

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Best of luck as you face life. May your life be one of service to your God and Fellowman.
Love always, Mom and Dad

Dear Brian Sheets,
It has been a good four years. Wish we had four more. We will miss you when you are gone.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Cynde,
The hardest thing to do is to keep going, to have faith to believe, and the will to progress. (Hope you meet your hunk someday). Good luck in the future.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Sherri and Duane,
May the future bring happiness and success to both of you.
Love, Mom

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Best of luck and success in all you do. We're with you!
Love, Mom and Dad Boehm

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Congratulations. We are proud of you. We wish you success in all that life brings.
We love you, Mom and Dad

Dear Robin,
Congratulations. May your future be as successful as your past.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Pat,
Congratulations and good luck in college!
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Tim,
May your goals in life be high and your success rate terrific. Good Luck son.
Love, Mom and Dad

Dear Monica R.,
We wish you good health and much happiness. God bless you.
Love, Mom and Dad

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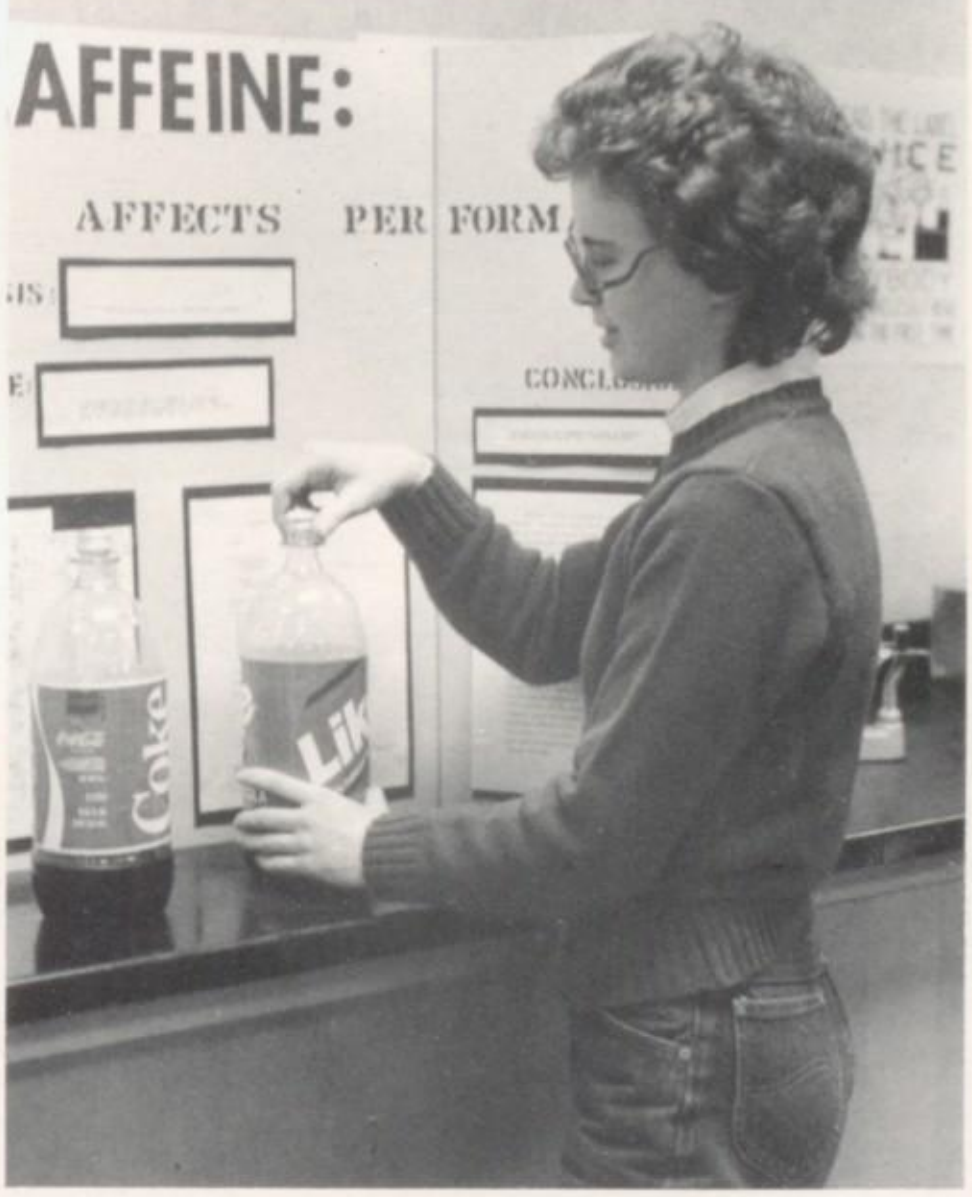

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AT THE HAWORTH INVITATIONAL, seniors Kim Rivers and Karen Schumacher, Flag Corps co-captains, lead the Corps in a warm-up exercise to prepare them for the show where they took top honors.

a little bit of **international growth**

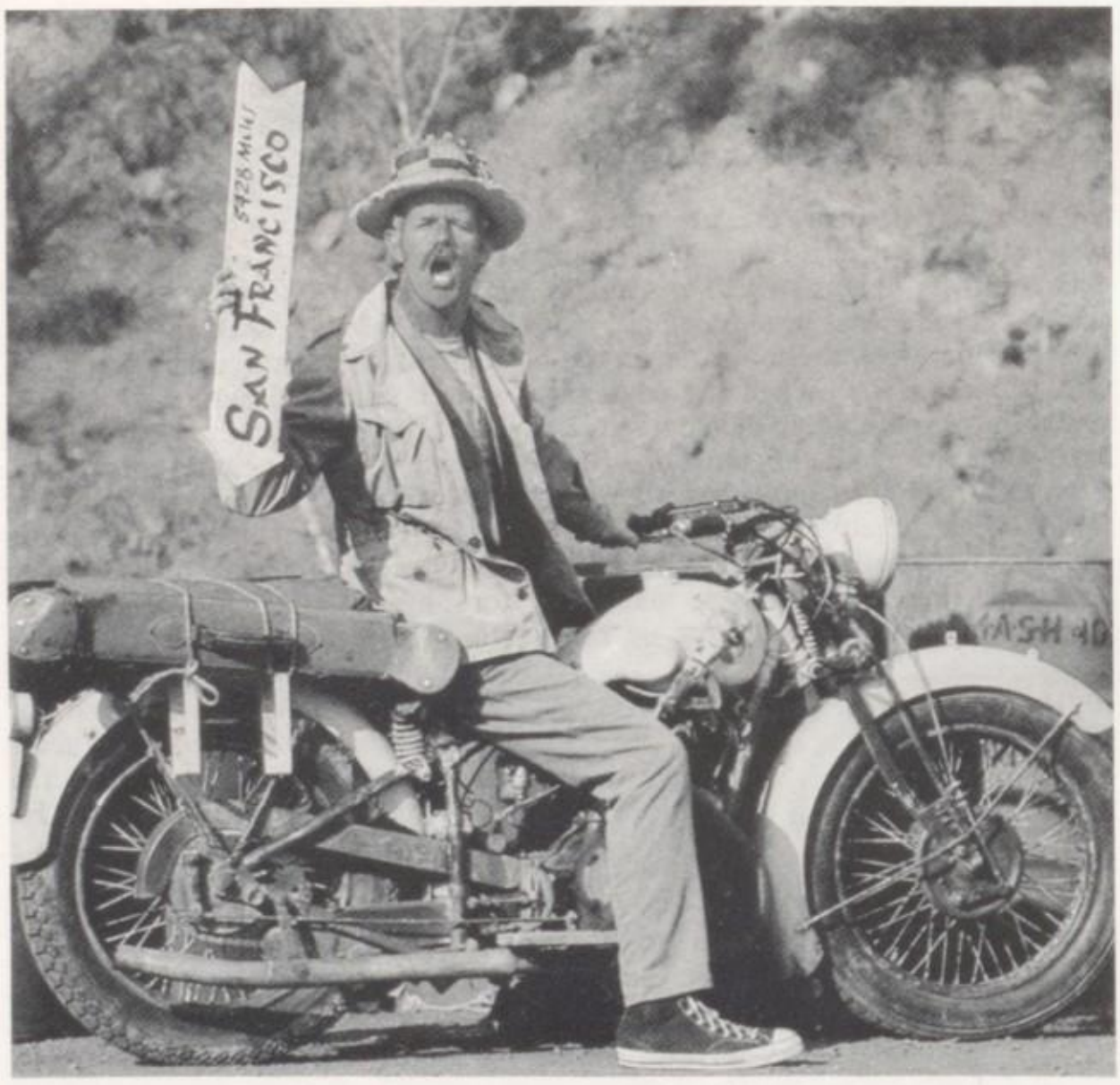
"A little bit of growth" was the most appropriate phrase to use when describing national and worldwide events in 1983. In terms of economics, politics and entertainment, changes in existing conditions were small but steady, showing positive gains throughout the year.

National and world economics began to show sure signs of coming out of the recent recession. Although unemployment figures changed but little, the stock market hit record highs, going over the 1,200 mark for the first time in the nation's history. Interest rates also came down, stimulating action in the hitherto rather sluggish real estate and construction industries.

Growth was also evident in the area of politics. Chicago citizens elected their first black mayor, Democrat Harold Washington, who defeated the city's first woman mayor Jayne Byrne in the Democratic primary. In England, citizens could rest comfortably knowing that the line of succession to the throne was assured. Prince Charles and Princess Diana had a baby boy, Prince William, who will eventually become the fifth king to bear that name.

Stupendous growth was evident in the movie industry as two science fiction movies broke all previous box office records. During the summer, Steven Spielberg's "E.T." topped the charts and began a whole new line of marketable toys and games. Just before school let out, "Return of the Jedi," the third in the "Star Wars" trilogy, came out, breaking even "E.T.'s" record highs at the box office. "Ghandi" was considered the year's best movie, winning eight Oscars, while top acting honors went to Ben Kingsley and Meryl Streep.

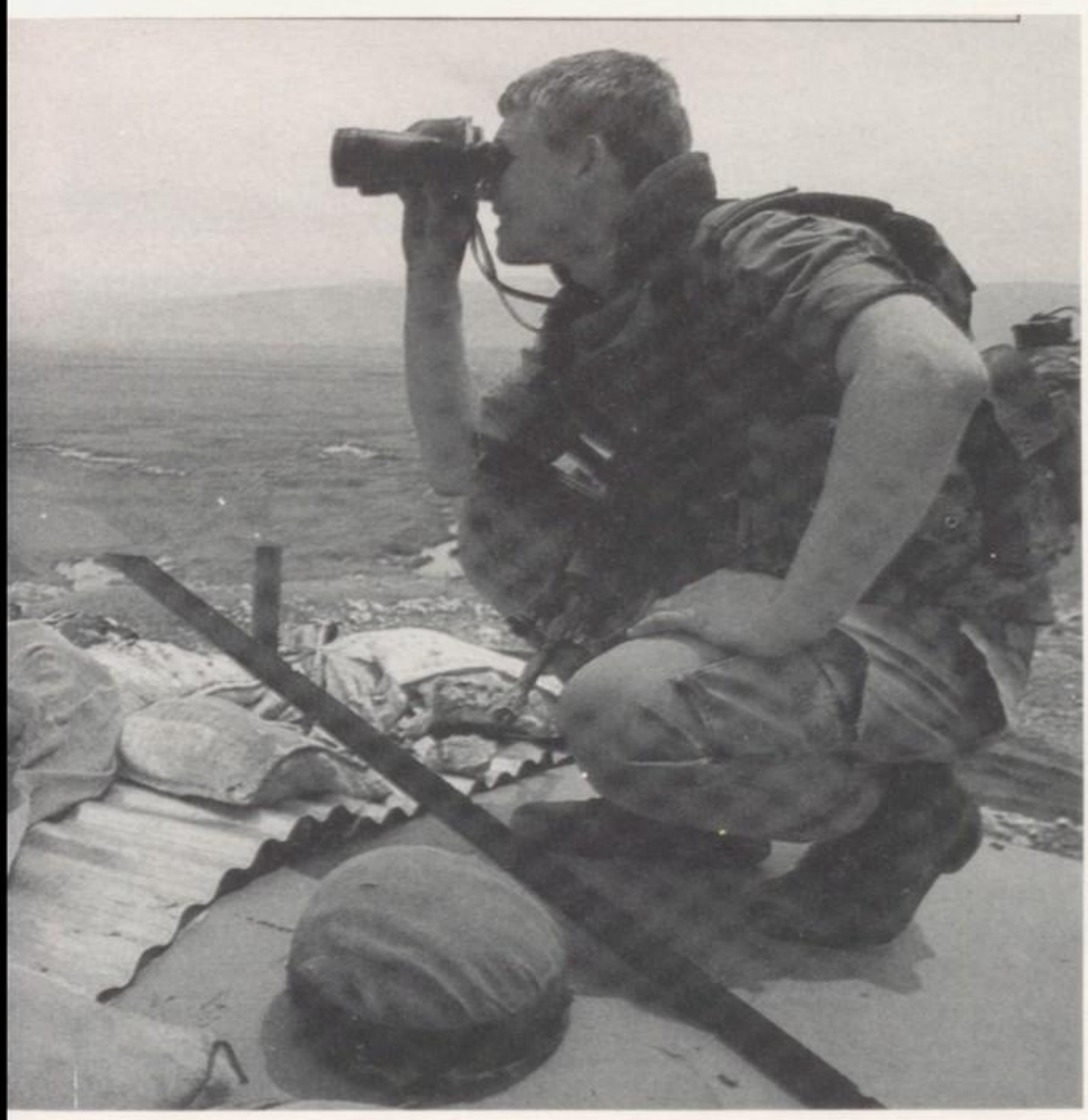
Very few momentous events occurred to rock the world. Life went on as it always had with just a few minor upheavals. Israel and the Palestinians still fought their wars; Belfast was still the scene of incredible violence; Reagan still struggled to balance the budget. It was a year of quiet living as each family tried to adapt to fluctuating economic conditions. All in all, 1983 was a year of "a little bit of growth."



AS M*A*S*H FINALLY REACHES THE END of its last season, B.J. eagerly prepares to go home to San Francisco to be with his wife and child. (Newsweek Magazine Photo)

MAKING A MUCH PUBLICIZED VISIT to California, Queen Elizabeth II of Britain discovers Grand Cagmen Island amid a bevy of Union Jacks. (Newsweek Magazine Photo)

DARTH VADER finds another Skywalker "Return of the Jedi." (Time Photo)



ENTERTAINING A NOT YET ONE YEAR OLD PRINCE can be a mighty tough job, but Princess Diana is up to it as she bounces the future King William into the air (Us Photo)

PEERING THROUGH HIS BINOCULARS, an Israeli soldier attempts to learn more about a Syrian position from his vantage point in a valley in Eastern Lebanon. (Time Photo)

Small changes, record wins contribute to banner year

From the newest eighth-grader to the most experienced senior, every student in the school acknowledged 1983 to be a banner year for Western. Both small changes and sweeping accomplishments helped to make the year one of "a little bit of growth."

Sports teams provided a great deal of the excitement as both the football and basketball teams compiled outstanding records. The football team also won a berth in the State Playoffs for the first time in the school's history. Two more first came from the basketball team as it captured a share of the MIC and won the Kokomo Sectional.

The marching band made its contribution to an exciting year by winning its class at every competition, as well as capturing the State Marching Band Championship for Class "C." The band also participated in national competition at Johnson City, Tennessee, and performed in the Indianapolis "500" Festival Parade with 18 other bands.

In academics, 12 students proved that English could be as exciting as any sport as they participated in the Ball State English Achievement Day. Four students won individual awards, making possible a third place finish for the entire team. Also, two students had art work displayed in the Scholastic Art Show in Indianapolis. Junior Darrin O'Neal received an Honorable Mention while Senior Mandy Moore received a Gold Key Finalist and had her work sent to New York for further competition.

All these exciting moments, when combined with several more staid changes in courses, facilities and community involvement, made 1983 a great year for every student and provided Western with "a little bit of growth."

Kim Rivers

SOPHOMORE JOHN FISHER receives a trophy for going to the International Science Fair.

AFTER THE BASKETBALL TEAM'S VICTORY OVER HAWORTH AT THE KOKOMO SECTIONAL, members of the team and the cheerleaders brandish pieces of the net as they celebrate their win.

MEMBERS OF THE THIRD PLACE ENGLISH TEAM are Front Row: Karen Schumacher, Kim Rivers; Row 2: Mrs. Maxwell, Valerie Bastin, Betsy Hossom, Cindy Chen, Annie Shelton, Marcy Harvey; Back Row: Mrs. Richter, Mindy Harvey, Lynda Gerhart, Lisa Maugans, Lisa Donley.

SHOWING THEIR EAGERNESS TO PLAY IN THE STATE PLAYOFFS, seniors Steve Scott and Jake Stout, members of the varsity football team, sport their newly short haircuts.

DURING SUBSTANCE AWARENESS WEEK, Junior Rob Conyers is interviewed by a reporter from Channel 8 News as to his opinion of the amount of alcohol and drug abuse occuring at Western. The program was part of the Family Life Forum project based in Howard County in which Superintendent Dr. Lindan Hill played a major role as an officer.

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"Murphy's Law" kept the members of the 1983 ECHO staff on their toes for certainly "everything that could go wrong did go wrong." From a series of minor mishaps with color photos to the destruction of most of the academic and faculty pictures in the fire at Shepple Studios, minor crises seemed to become the rule rather than the exception. Through all the rough times, the staff members learned to bounce back from each blow with a steady resolve.

Despite these setbacks, the 1983 ECHO was a unique book, drawing its structure and form from both past yearbooks and new ideas. And though there were perhaps great innovations the staff did not use, we feel we created a strong and consistent book.

A yearbook simply cannot be put together without the help and support of many people. The members of the 1983 ECHO staff would like to thank Shepple Studios for developing and printing our pictures; MJM Studios for stepping in after the fire; Jeff Patch for designing the artwork on the cover; the administration for its support, especially Mr. Gerard Walter and Mr. Charles Wolf for all their diplomatic help; and Larry Glaze, our Herff Jones representative, for all of his great advice and skill with art work.

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